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Abstract

This guide provides the information to install and configure 3scale API Management.

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PREFACE

This guide will help you to install and configure 3scale.

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To propose improvements, open a Jira issue and describe your suggested changes. Provide as much detail as possible to enable us to address your request quickly.

Prerequisite

• You have a Red Hat Customer Portal account. This account enables you to log in to the Red Hat Jira Software instance. If you do not have an account, you will be prompted to create one.

Procedure

- 1. Click the following link: Create issue.
- 2. In the **Summary** text box, enter a brief description of the issue.
- 3. In the **Description** text box, provide the following information:
 - The URL of the page where you found the issue.
 - A detailed description of the issue. You can leave the information in any other fields at their default values.
- 4. Click **Create** to submit the Jira issue to the documentation team.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback.

CHAPTER 1. REGISTRY SERVICE ACCOUNTS FOR 3SCALE

To use container images from **registry.redhat.io** in a shared environment with Red Hat 3scale API Management 2.14, you must use a *Registry Service Account* instead of an individual user's *Customer Portal* credentials.



IMPORTANT

Before deploying 3scale on OpenShift via the operator, follow the steps outlined in this chapter, as the deployment uses registry authentication.

To create and modify a registry service account, perform the steps outlined in the following sections:

- Creating a registry service account
- Configuring container registry authentication
- Modifying a registry service account

1.1. CREATING A REGISTRY SERVICE ACCOUNT

To create a registry service account, follow the procedure below.

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to the Registry Service Accounts page and log in.
- 2. Click New Service Account
- 3. Fill in the form on the Create a New Registry Service Account page.
 - Add a name for the service account.
 Note: You will see a fixed-length, randomly generated numerical string before the form field.
 - b. Enter a Description.
 - c. Click Create.
- 4. Navigate back to your Service Accounts.
- 5. Click the Service Account you created.
- 6. Make a note of the username, including the prefix string, for example **12345678**|**username**, and your password. This username and password will be used to log in to **registry.redhat.io**.



NOTE

There are tabs available on the *Token Information* page that show you how to use the authentication token. For example, the *Token Information* tab shows the username in the format **12345678|username** and the password string below it.

1.2. CONFIGURING CONTAINER REGISTRY AUTHENTICATION

As a 3scale administrator, configure authentication with registry.redhat.io before you deploy 3scale on OpenShift.

Prerequisites

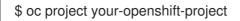
- A Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) account with administrator credentials.
- OpenShift **oc** client tool is installed. For more details, see the OpenShift CLI documentation.

Procedure

1. Log into your OpenShift cluster as administrator:

\$ oc login -u <admin username>

2. Open the project in which you want to deploy 3scale:



- 3. Create a docker-registry secret using your Red Hat Customer Portal account, replacing threescale-registry-auth with the secret to create:
 - \$ oc create secret docker-registry threescale-registry-auth \
 - --docker-server=registry.redhat.io \
 - --docker-username="customer_portal_username" \
 - --docker-password="customer portal password" \
 - --docker-email="email address"

You will see the following output:



secret/threescale-registry-auth created

4. Link the secret to your service account to use the secret for pulling images. The service account name must match the name that the OpenShift pod uses. This example uses the default service account:



\$ oc secrets link default threescale-registry-auth --for=pull

5. Link the secret to the **builder** service account to use the secret for pushing and pulling build images:

\$ oc secrets link builder threescale-registry-auth

Additional resources

- Red Hat container image authentication
- Red Hat registry service accounts

1.3. MODIFYING A REGISTRY SERVICE ACCOUNT

You can edit or delete service accounts from the *Registry Service Account* page, by using the pop-up menu to the right of each authentication token in the table.



WARNING

The regeneration or removal of *service accounts* will impact systems that are using the token to authenticate and retrieve content from **registry.redhat.io**.

A description for each function is as follows:

Regenerate token: Allows an authorized user to reset the password associated with the Service Account.

Note: You cannot modify the username for the Service Account.

- Update Description: Allows an authorized user to update the description for the Service Account.
- **Delete Account:** Allows an authorized user to remove the Service Account.

1.4. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Red Hat Container Registry Authentication
- Authentication enabled Red Hat registry

CHAPTER 2. INSTALLING 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT ON OPENSHIFT

This section walks you through steps to deploy Red Hat 3scale API Management 2.14 on OpenShift.

The 3scale solution for on-premises deployment is composed of:

- Two application programming interface (API) gateways: embedded APIcast.
- One 3scale Admin Portal and Developer Portal with persistent storage.

NOTE

- When deploying 3scale, you must first configure registry authentication to the Red Hat container registry. See Configuring container registry authentication.
- The 3scale Istio Adapter is available as an optional adapter that allows labeling a service running within the Red Hat OpenShift Service Mesh, and integrate that service with 3scale. Refer to 3scale adapter documentation for more information.

Prerequisites

- You must configure 3scale servers for UTC (Coordinated Universal Time).
- Create user credentials using the step in Creating a registry service account .

To install 3scale on OpenShift, perform the steps outlined in the following sections:

- System requirements for installing 3scale API Management on OpenShift
- Deploying 3scale API Management using the operator
- External databases for 3scale API Management using the operator
- Deployment configuration options for 3scale API Management on OpenShift using the operator
- Installing 3scale API Management with the operator using Oracle as the system database
- Troubleshooting common 3scale API Management installation issues

2.1. SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTALLING 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT ON OPENSHIFT

This section lists the system requirements for installing Red Hat 3scale API Management on OpenShift.

2.1.1. Environment requirements

3scale requires an environment specified in supported configurations.



NOTE

The requirements for persistent volumes vary between different deployment types. When deploying with external databases, persistent volumes are not necessary. For some deployment types, an Amazon S3 bucket can serve as a substitute for persistent volumes. If you use local file system storage, consider the specific deployment type and its associated requirements for persistent volumes.

Persistent volumes

- 4 RWO (ReadWriteOnce) persistent volumes for Redis, MySQL, and System-searchd persistence.
- 1 RWX (ReadWriteMany) persistent volume for Developer Portal content and System-app Assets.

Configure the RWX persistent volume to be group writable. For a list of persistent volume types that support the required access modes, see the OpenShift documentation.



NOTE

Network File System (NFS) is supported on 3scale for the RWX volume only.

For IBM Power (ppc64le) and IBM Z (s390x), provision local storage using the following:

Storage

• NFS

If you are using an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket for content management system (CMS) storage:

Persistent volumes

• 3 RWO (ReadWriteOnce) persistent volumes for Redis and MySQL persistence.

Storage

- 1 Amazon S3 bucket
- NFS

2.1.2. Hardware requirements

Hardware requirements depend on your usage needs. Red Hat recommends that you test and configure your environment to meet your specific requirements. The following are the recommendations when configuring your environment for 3scale on OpenShift:

- Compute optimized nodes for deployments on cloud environments (AWS c4.2xlarge or Azure Standard_F8).
- Very large installations may require a separate node (AWS M4 series or Azure Av2 series) for Redis if memory requirements exceed your current node's available RAM.
- Separate nodes between routing and compute tasks.

• Dedicated computing nodes for 3scale specific tasks.

Additional resources

• Understanding persistent storage

2.2. INSTALLING THE 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT OPERATOR ON OPENSHIFT



NOTE

3scale supports the last two general availability (GA) releases of OpenShift Container Platform (OCP). For more information, see the Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations page.

This documentation shows you how to:

- Create a new project.
- Deploy a Red Hat 3scale API Management instance.
- Install the 3scale operator through Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).
- Deploy the custom resources once the operator has been deployed.

Prerequisites

- Access to a supported version of an OpenShift Container Platform 4 cluster using an account with administrator privileges.
 - For more information about supported configurations, see the Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations page.



WARNING

Deploy the 3scale operator and custom resource definitions (CRDs) in a separate newly created, empty *project*. If you deploy them in an existing project containing infrastructure, it could alter or delete existing elements.

To install the 3scale operator on OpenShift, perform the steps outlined in the following sections:

- Creating a new OpenShift project
- Installing and configuring the 3scale API Management operator using the OLM

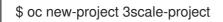
2.2.1. Creating a new OpenShift project

This procedure explains how to create a new OpenShift project named **3scale-project**. Replace this project name with your own.

Procedure

To create a new OpenShift project:

• Indicate a valid name using alphanumeric characters and dashes. As an example, run the command below to create **3scale-project**:



This creates the new *OpenShift project* where the operator, the *APIManager* custom resource (CR), and the *Capabilities* custom resources will be installed. The operator manages the custom resources through OLM in that project.

2.2.2. Installing and configuring the 3scale API Management operator using the OLM

Use Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM) to install the 3scale operator on an OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) 4.12 (or above) cluster through the OperatorHub in the OCP console. You can install the 3scale operator using the following installation modes:

- Cluster-wide in which the operator is available in all namespaces on the cluster.
- A specific namespace on the cluster



NOTE

If you are using the OpenShift Container Platform on a restricted network or a disconnected cluster, the Operator Lifecycle Manager can no longer use the OperatorHub. Follow the instructions for setting up and using the OLM in the guide titled Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks .

Prerequisites

• You must install and deploy the 3scale operator in the project that you defined in Creating a new OpenShift project.

Procedure

- 1. In the OpenShift Container Platform console, log in using an account with administrator privileges.
- 2. Click Operators > OperatorHub.
- 3. In the Filter by keyword box, type 3scale operator to find Red Hat Integration 3scale .
- 4. Click Red Hat Integration 3scale . Information about the operator is displayed.
- 5. Read the information about the operator and click Install. The Install Operator page opens.
- 6. On the **Install Operator** page, select the desired channel to update in the **Update channel** section.
- 7. In the Installation mode section, select where to install the operator.
 - a. All namespaces on the cluster (default)- The operator will be available in all namespaces on the cluster.

- b. A specific namespace on the cluster- The operator will only be available in the specific single namespace on the cluster that you have selected.
- 8. Click Install.
- 9. After the installation is complete, the system displays a confirmation message indicating that the operator is ready for use.
- 10. Verify that the 3scale operator ClusterServiceVersion (CSV) is correctly installed. Also check if it reports that the installation of the operator has been successful:
 - Click Operators > Installed Operators
 - Click on the **Red Hat Integration 3scale** operator.
 - In the **Details** tab, scroll down to the **Conditions** section, where the **Succeeded** condition should read **InstallSucceeded** under the **Reason** column.

Besides the indicated procedure, create a list of the allowed domains you intend to use in the 3scale Developer Portal while using OCP on restricted networks. Consider the following examples:

- Any link you intend to add to the Developer Portal.
- Single sign-on (SSO) integrations through third party SSO providers such as GitHub.
- Billing.
- Webhooks that trigger an external URL.

2.2.2.1. Restrictions in disconnected environments

The following list outlines current restrictions in a disconnected environment for 3scale 2.14:

- The GitHub login to the Developer Portal is not available.
- Support links are not operational.
- Links to external documentation are not operational.
- The validator for the OpenAPI Specification (OAS) in the Developer Portal is not operational, affecting links to external services.
- In the product Overview page in ActiveDocs, links to OAS are not operational.
 - It is also necessary to check the option *Skip swagger validations* when you create a new ActiveDocs specification.

Additional resources

- OpenShift Container Platform documentation
- Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks
- Mirroring images for a disconnected installation
- Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations

2.2.3. Upgrading the 3scale API Management operator using the OLM

To upgrade the 3scale operator from a single namespace to a cluster-wide installation in all namespaces on an operator-based deployment, you must remove the 3scale operator from the namespace and then reinstall the operator on the cluster.

Cluster administrators can delete installed operators from a selected namespace by using the web console. Uninstalling the operator does not uninstall an existing 3scale instance.

After the 3scale operator is uninstalled from the namespace, you can use OLM to install the operator in the cluster-wide mode.

Prerequisites

• 3scale administrator permissions or an OpenShift role that has delete permissions for the namespace.

Procedure

- 1. In the OpenShift Container Platform console, log in using an account with administrator privileges.
- 2. Click **Operators > OperatorHub**. The installed Operators page is displayed.
- 3. Enter *3scale* into the *Filter by name* to find the operator and click on it.
- 4. On the *Operator Details* page, select **Uninstall Operator** from the **Actions** drop-down menu to remove it from a specific namespace.
- 5. An Uninstall Operator? dialog box is displayed, reminding you that:

Removing the operator will not remove any of its custom resource definitions or managed resources. If your operator has deployed applications on the cluster or configured off-cluster resources, these will continue to run and need to be cleaned up manually. This action removes the operator as well as the Operator deployments and pods, if any. Any operands and resources managed by the operator, including CRDs and CRs, are not removed. The web console enables dashboards and navigation items for some operators. To remove these after uninstalling the operator, you might need to manually delete the operator CRDs.

- 6. Select **Uninstall**. This operator stops running and no longer receives updates.
- 7. In the OpenShift Container Platform console click **Operators > OperatorHub**.
- 8. In the Filter by keyword box, type 3scale operator to find Red Hat Integration 3scale .
- 9. Click Red Hat Integration 3scale. Information about the operator is displayed.
- 10. Click Install. The Install Operator page opens.
- 11. On the **Install Operator** page, select the desired channel to update in the **Update channel** section.
- 12. In the *Installation mode* section, select **All namespaces on the cluster (default)** The operator will be available in all namespaces on the cluster.

- 13. Click **Subscribe**. The *3scale operator* details page is displayed and you can see the *Subscription Overview*.
- 14. Confirm that the subscription **Upgrade Status** is displayed as **Up to date**.
- 15. Verify that the 3scale operator ClusterServiceVersion (CSV) is displayed.

Additional Resources

• Installing the 3scale API Management operator on OpenShift

2.2.3.1. Configuring automated application of micro releases



WARNING

If you are using an external Oracle database, set the 3scale update strategy to *Manual*. With an external Oracle database, the database and the **.spec.system.image** are updated manually. The *Automatic* setting would not update the **.spec.system.image**. See the Migrating 3scale guide to update an operator-based installation with an external Oracle database.

To get automatic updates, the 3scale operator must have its approval strategy set to *Automatic*. This allows it to apply micro release updates automatically. The following describes the differences between *Automatic* and *Manual* settings, and outlines the steps in a procedure to change from one to the other.

Automatic and manual:

- During installation, the *Automatic* setting is the selected option by default. Installation of new updates occur as they become available. You can change this during the install or at any time afterwards.
- If you select the *Manual* option during installation or at any time afterwards, you will receive updates when they are available. Next, you must approve the *Install Plan* and apply it yourself.

Procedure

- 1. Click Operators > Installed Operators
- 2. Click Red Hat Integration 3scale from the list of Installed Operators.
- 3. Click the **Subscription** tab. Under the *Subscription Details* heading, you will see the subheading *Approval*.
- 4. Click the link below *Approval*. The link is set to **Automatic** by default. A modal with the heading *Change Update Approval Strategy* will pop up.
- 5. Choose the option of your preference: *Automatic (default)* or *Manual*, and then click **Save**.

Additional resources

• Installing Operators in your namespace

2.3. INSTALLING THE APICAST OPERATOR ON OPENSHIFT

This guide provides steps for installing the APIcast operator through the OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) console.

Prerequisites

• OCP 4.x or later with administrator privileges.

Procedure

- 1. Create new project **operator-test** in **Projects > Create Project**
- 2. Click Operators > OperatorHub.
- 3. In the **Filter by keyword** box, type *apicast operator* to find *Red Hat Integration 3scale APIcast gateway*.
- 4. Click *Red Hat Integration 3scale APIcast gateway* . Information about the APIcast operator is displayed.
- 5. Click Install. The Create Operator Subscription page opens.
- 6. Click *Install* to accept all of the default selections on the *Create Operator Subscription* page.



NOTE

You can select different operator versions and installation modes, such as cluster-wide or namespace-specific options. There can only be one cluster-wide installation per cluster.

- a. The subscription Upgrade Status is shown as Up to date.
- Click Operators > Installed Operators to verify that the APIcast operator *ClusterServiceVersion* (CSV) status displays to *InstallSucceeded* in the **operator-test** project.

2.4. DEPLOYING 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT USING THE OPERATOR

This section takes you through installing and deploying the 3scale solution via the 3scale operator, using the APIManager custom resource (CR).

NOTE

- Wildcard routes have been removed since 3scale 2.6.
 - This functionality is handled by Zync in the background.
- When API providers are created, updated, or deleted, routes automatically reflect those changes.

Prerequisites

- Configuring container registry authentication
- To make sure you receive automatic updates of micro releases for 3scale, you must have enabled the automatic approval functionality in the 3scale operator. *Automatic* is the default approval setting. To change this at any time based on your specific needs, use the steps for Configuring automated application of micro releases.
- Deploying 3scale API Management using the operator first requires that you follow the steps in Installing the 3scale API Management operator on OpenShift.
- OpenShift Container Platform 4.x.
 - A user account with administrator privileges in the OpenShift cluster.
 - For more information about supported configurations, see the Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations page.

Follow these procedures to deploy 3scale using the operator:

- Deploying the APIManager custom resource
- Getting the Admin Portal URL
- Getting the APIManager Admin Portal and Master Admin Portal credentials
- External databases for 3scale API Management using the operator

2.4.1. Deploying the APIManager custom resource



NOTE

If you decide to use Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3), see Amazon Simple Storage Service 3scale API Management fileStorage installation.

The operator watches for APIManager CRs and deploys your required 3scale solution as specified in the APIManager CR.

Procedure

- 1. Click Operators > Installed Operators
 - a. From the list of Installed Operators, click Red Hat Integration 3scale .
- 2. Click the API Manager tab.
- 3. Click Create APIManager.
- 4. Clear the sample content and add the following *YAML* definitions to the editor, then click **Create**.
 - Before 3scale 2.8, you could configure the automatic addition of replicas by setting the **highAvailability** field to **true**. From 3scale 2.8, the addition of replicas is controlled through the replicas field in the APIManager CR as shown in the following example.



NOTE

The value of the *wildcardDomain* parameter must be a valid domain name that resolves to the address of your OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) router. For example, **apps.mycluster.example.com**.

• APIManager CR with minimum requirements:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: apimanager-sample
spec:
wildcardDomain: example.com
```

• APIManager CR with replicas configured:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
 name: apimanager-sample
spec:
 system:
  appSpec:
   replicas: 1
  sidekiqSpec:
   replicas: 1
 zync:
  appSpec:
   replicas: 1
  queSpec:
   replicas: 1
 backend:
  cronSpec:
   replicas: 1
  listenerSpec:
   replicas: 1
  workerSpec:
   replicas: 1
 apicast:
  productionSpec:
   replicas: 1
  stagingSpec:
   replicas: 1
 wildcardDomain: example.com
```

2.4.2. Getting the Admin Portal URL

When you deploy 3scale using the operator, a default tenant is created with a fixed URL: **3scaleadmin.\${wildcardDomain}**.

The 3scale Dashboard shows the new portal URL of the tenant. As an example, if the *<wildCardDomain>* is **3scale-project.example.com**, the Admin Portal URL is: **https://3scale-admin.3scale-project.example.com**.

The **wildcardDomain** is the *<wildCardDomain>* parameter you provided during the installation. Open this unique URL in a browser using the this command:

\$ xdg-open https://3scale-admin.3scale-project.example.com

Optionally, you can create new tenants on the MASTER portal URL: master.\${wildcardDomain}.

2.4.3. Getting the APIManager Admin Portal and Master Admin Portal credentials

To log in to either the 3scale Admin Portal or Master Admin Portal after the operator-based deployment, you need the credentials for each separate portal. To get these credentials:

1. Run the following commands to get the Admin Portal credentials:

\$ oc get secret system-seed -o json | jq -r .data.ADMIN_USER | base64 -d \$ oc get secret system-seed -o json | jq -r .data.ADMIN_PASSWORD | base64 -d

- a. Log in as the Admin Portal administrator to verify these credentials are working.
- 2. Run the following commands to get the Master Admin Portal credentials:

\$ oc get secret system-seed -o json | jq -r .data.MASTER_USER | base64 -d \$ oc get secret system-seed -o json | jq -r .data.MASTER_PASSWORD | base64 -d

a. Log in as the Master Admin Portal administrator to verify these credentials are working.

Additional resources

Reference documentation.

Optionally, you can create new tenants on the MASTER portal URL: master.\${wildcardDomain}.

2.4.4. External databases for 3scale API Management using the operator



IMPORTANT

When you externalize databases from a Red Hat 3scale API Management deployment, this means to provide isolation from the application and resilience against service disruptions at the database level. The resilience to service disruptions depends on the service level agreements (SLAs) provided by the infrastructure or platform provider where you host the databases. This is not offered by 3scale. For more details on externalizing of databases offered by your chosen deployment, see the associated documentation.

When you use an external databases for 3scale using the operator, the aim is to provide uninterrupted uptime if, for example, one or more databases were to fail.

If you use external databases in your 3scale operator-based deployment, note the following:

• Configure and deploy 3scale critical databases externally. Critical databases include the system database, system redis, and backend redis components. Ensure that you deploy and configure these components in a way that makes them highly available.

- Specify the connection endpoints to those components for 3scale by creating their corresponding Kubernetes secrets before deploying 3scale.
 - See External databases installation for more information.
 - See Enabling Pod Disruption Budgets for more information about non-database deployment configurations.
- In the **APIManager** CR, set the **.spec.externalComponents** attribute to specify that system database, system redis, and backend redis are external:

externalComponents: backend: redis: true system: database: true redis: true zync: database: true

Additionally, if you want the zync database to be highly available to avoid zync potentially losing queue jobs data on restart, note the following:

- Deploy and configure the zync database externally. Make sure you deploy and configure the database in a way that it is highly available.
- Specify the connection endpoint to the zync database for 3scale by creating its corresponding Kubernetes secret before deploying 3scale.
 - See Zync database secret.
- Configure 3scale by setting the **.spec.externalComponents.zync.database** attribute in the **APIManager** CR to **true** to specify that the zync database is an external database.

2.5. DEPLOYMENT CONFIGURATION OPTIONS FOR 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT ON OPENSHIFT USING THE OPERATOR



IMPORTANT

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This section provides information about the deployment configuration options for Red Hat 3scale API Management on OpenShift using the operator.

Prerequisites

- Configuring container registry authentication
- Deploying 3scale API Management using the operator first requires that you follow the steps in Installing the 3scale API Management operator on OpenShift

- OpenShift Container Platform 4.x
 - A user account with administrator privileges in the OpenShift cluster.

2.5.1. Configuring proxy parameters for embedded APIcast

As a 3scale administrator, you can configure proxy parameters for embedded APIcast staging and production. This section provides reference information for specifying proxy parameters in an APIManager custom resource (CR). In other words, you are using the 3scale operator, an APIManager CR to deploy 3scale on OpenShift.

You can specify these parameters when you deploy an APIManager CR for the first time or you can update a deployed APIManager CR and the operator will reconcile the update. See Deploying the APIManager custom resource.

There are four proxy-related configuration parameters for embedded APIcast:

- allProxy
- httpProxy
- httpsProxy
- noProxy

allProxy

The **allProxy** parameter specifies an HTTP or HTTPS proxy to be used for connecting to services when a request does not specify a protocol-specific proxy.

After you set up a proxy, configure APIcast by setting the **allProxy** parameter to the address of the proxy. Authentication is not supported for the proxy. In other words, APIcast does not send authenticated requests to the proxy.

The value of the **allProxy** parameter is a string, there is no default, and the parameter is not required. Use this format to set the **spec.apicast.productionSpec.allProxy** parameter or the **spec.apicast.stagingSpec.allProxy** parameter:

<scheme>://<host>:<port>

For example:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
apicast:
productionSpec:
allProxy: http://forward-proxy:80
stagingSpec:
allProxy: http://forward-proxy:81
```

httpProxy

The httpProxy parameter specifies an HTTP proxy to be used for connecting to HTTP services.

After you set up a proxy, configure APIcast by setting the **httpProxy** parameter to the address of the proxy. Authentication is not supported for the proxy. In other words, APIcast does not send authenticated requests to the proxy.

The value of the **httpProxy** parameter is a string, there is no default, and the parameter is not required. Use this format to set the **spec.apicast.productionSpec.httpProxy** parameter or the **spec.apicast.stagingSpec.httpProxy** parameter:

http://<host>:<port>

For example:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
apicast:
productionSpec:
httpProxy: http://forward-proxy:80
stagingSpec:
httpProxy: http://forward-proxy:81
```

httpsProxy

The httpsProxy parameter specifies an HTTPS proxy to be used for connecting to services.

After you set up a proxy, configure APIcast by setting the **httpsProxy** parameter to the address of the proxy. Authentication is not supported for the proxy. In other words, APIcast does not send authenticated requests to the proxy.

The value of the **httpsProxy** parameter is a string, there is no default, and the parameter is not required. Use this format to set the **spec.apicast.productionSpec.httpsProxy** parameter or the **spec.apicast.stagingSpec.httpsProxy** parameter:

https://<host>:<port>

For example:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
apicast:
productionSpec:
httpsProxy: https://forward-proxy:80
stagingSpec:
httpsProxy: https://forward-proxy:81
```

noProxy

The **noProxy** parameter specifies a comma-separated list of hostnames and domain names. When a request contains one of these names, APIcast does not proxy the request.

If you need to stop access to the proxy, for example during maintenance operations, set the **noProxy** parameter to an asterisk (*). This matches all hosts specified in all requests and effectively disables any proxies.

The value of the **noProxy** parameter is a string, there is no default, and the parameter is not required. Specify a comma-separated string to set the **spec.apicast.productionSpec.noProxy** parameter or the **spec.apicast.stagingSpec.noProxy** parameter. For example:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
apicast:
productionSpec:
noProxy: theStore,company.com,big.red.com
stagingSpec:
noProxy: foo,bar.com,.extra.dot.com
```

Additional resources

- Custom resource definition for APIcast staging configuration in an APIManager custom resource
- Custom resource definition for APIcast production configuration in an APIManager custom resource

2.5.2. Injecting custom environments with the 3scale API Management operator

In a 3scale installation that uses embedded APIcast, you can use the 3scale operator to inject custom environments. Embedded APIcast is also referred to as managed or hosted APIcast. A custom environment defines behavior that APIcast applies to all upstream APIs that the gateway serves. To create a custom environment, define a global configuration in Lua code.

You can inject a custom environment before or after 3scale installation. After injecting a custom environment and after 3scale installation, you can remove a custom environment. The 3scale operator reconciles the changes.

Prerequisites

• The 3scale operator is installed.

Procedure

1. Write Lua code that defines the custom environment that you want to inject. For example, the following **env1.lua** file shows a custom logging policy that the 3scale operator loads for all services.

```
local cjson = require('cjson')
local PolicyChain = require('apicast.policy_chain')
local policy_chain = context.policy_chain
local logging_policy_config = cjson.decode([[
{
    "enable_access_logs": false,
```

```
"custom_logging": "\"{{request}}\" to service {{service.id}} and {{service.name}}"
}
]])
policy_chain:insert( PolicyChain.load_policy('logging', 'builtin', logging_policy_config), 1)
return {
    policy_chain = policy_chain,
    port = { metrics = 9421 },
```

2. Create a secret from the Lua file that defines the custom environment. For example:

\$ oc create secret generic custom-env-1 --from-file=./env1.lua

A secret can contain multiple custom environments. Specify the **-from-file** option for each file that defines a custom environment. The operator loads each custom environment.

3. Define an APIManager custom resource (CR) that references the secret you just created. The following example shows only content relative to referencing the secret that defines the custom environment.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: apimanager-apicast-custom-environment
spec:
wildcardDomain: <desired-domain>
apicast:
productionSpec:
customEnvironments:
- secretRef:
name: custom-env-1
stagingSpec:
customEnvironments:
- secretRef:
name: custom-env-1
```

An APIManager CR can reference multiple secrets that define custom environments. The operator loads each custom environment.

4. Create the APIManager CR that adds the custom environment. For example:

```
$ oc apply -f apimanager.yaml
```

Next steps

You cannot update the content of a secret that defines a custom environment. If you need to update the custom environment you can do either of the following:

- The recommended option is to create a secret with a different name and update the APIManager CR field, **customEnvironments[].secretRef.name**. The operator triggers a rolling update and loads the updated custom environment.
- Alternatively, you can update the existing secret, redeploy APIcast by setting spec.apicast.productionSpec.replicas or spec.apicast.stagingSpec.replicas to 0, and then

redeploy APIcast again by setting **spec.apicast.productionSpec.replicas** or **spec.apicast.stagingSpec.replicas** back to its previous value.

2.5.3. Injecting custom policies with the 3scale API Management operator

In a 3scale installation that uses embedded APIcast, you can use the 3scale operator to inject custom policies. Embedded APIcast is also referred to as managed or hosted APIcast. Injecting a custom policy adds the policy code to APIcast. You can then use either of the following to add the custom policy to an API product's policy chain:

- 3scale API
- **Product** custom resource (CR)

To use the 3scale Admin Portal to add the custom policy to a product's policy chain, you must also register the custom policy's schema with a **CustomPolicyDefinition** CR. Custom policy registration is a requirement only when you want to use the Admin Portal to configure a product's policy chain.

You can inject a custom policy as part of or after 3scale installation. After injecting a custom policy and after 3scale installation, you can remove a custom policy by removing its specification from the APIManager CR. The 3scale operator reconciles the changes.

Prerequisites

- You are installing or you previously installed the 3scale operator.
- You have defined a custom policy as described in Write your own policy. That is, you have already created, for example, the **my-policy.lua**, **apicast-policy.json**, and **init.lua** files that define a custom policy,

Procedure

- 1. Create a secret from the files that define one custom policy. For example:
 - \$ oc create secret generic my-first-custom-policy-secret \
 - --from-file=./apicast-policy.json \
 - --from-file=./init.lua \
 - --from-file=./my-first-custom-policy.lua

If you have more than one custom policy, create a secret for each custom policy. A secret can contain only one custom policy.

 Use the 3scale operator to monitor secret changes. Add the apimanager.apps.3scale.net/watched-by=apimanager label to begin the 3scale operator secret changes monitoring:

\$ oc label secret my-first-custom-policy-secret apimanager.apps.3scale.net/watchedby=apimanager



NOTE

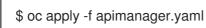
By default, changes to the secret are not tracked by the 3scale operator. With the label in place, the 3scale operator automatically updates the APIcast deployment whenever you make changes to the secret. This happens in both staging and production environments where the secret is in use. The 3scale operator will not take ownership of the secret in any way.

3. Define an APIManager CR that references each secret that contains a custom policy. You can specify the same secret for APIcast staging and APIcast production. The following example shows only content relative to referencing secrets that contain custom policies.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
 name: apimanager-apicast-custom-policy
spec:
 apicast:
  stagingSpec:
   customPolicies:
    - name: my-first-custom-policy
      version: "0.1"
      secretRef:
       name: my-first-custom-policy-secret
    - name: my-second-custom-policy
      version: "0.1"
      secretRef:
       name: my-second-custom-policy-secret
  productionSpec:
   customPolicies:
    - name: my-first-custom-policy
      version: "0.1"
      secretRef:
       name: my-first-custom-policy-secret
    - name: my-second-custom-policy
      version: "0.1"
      secretRef:
       name: my-second-custom-policy-secret
```

An APIManager CR can reference multiple secrets that define different custom policies. The operator loads each custom policy.

4. Create the APIManager CR that references the secrets that contain the custom policies. For example:



Next steps

When you apply the **apimanager.apps.3scale.net/watched-by=apimanager** label, the 3scale operator begins monitoring changes in the secret. Now, you can modify the custom policy within the secret, and the operator will initiate a rolling update, loading the updated custom environment.

• Alternatively, you can update the existing secret, redeploy APIcast by setting **spec.apicast.productionSpec.replicas** or **spec.apicast.stagingSpec.replicas** to 0, and then redeploy APIcast again by setting **spec.apicast.productionSpec.replicas** or

spec.apicast.stagingSpec.replicas back to its previous value.

2.5.4. Configuring OpenTracing with the 3scale API Management operator

In a 3scale installation that uses embedded APIcast, you can use the 3scale operator to configure OpenTracing. You can configure OpenTracing in the staging or production environments or both environments. By enabling OpenTracing, you get more insight and better observability on the APIcast instance.

Prerequisites

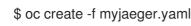
• The 3scale operator is installed or you are in the process of installing it.

Procedure

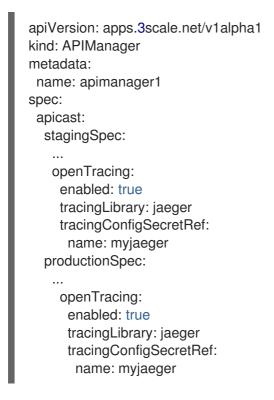
Define a secret that contains your OpenTracing configuration details in stringData.config. This
is the only valid value for the attribute that contains your OpenTracing configuration details. Any
other specification prevents APIcast from receiving your OpenTracing configuration details. The
following example shows a valid secret definition:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
 name: myjaeger
stringData:
 config: |-
   {
    "service name": "apicast",
    "disabled": false,
    "sampler": {
     "type": "const",
     "param": 1
   },
    "reporter": {
     "queueSize": 100,
     "bufferFlushInterval": 10,
     "logSpans": false,
     "localAgentHostPort": "jaeger-all-in-one-inmemory-agent:6831"
   },
    "headers": {
     "jaegerDebugHeader": "debug-id",
     "jaegerBaggageHeader": "baggage",
     "TraceContextHeaderName": "uber-trace-id",
     "traceBaggageHeaderPrefix": "testctx-"
   },
   "baggage restrictions": {
      "denyBaggageOnInitializationFailure": false,
      "hostPort": "127.0.0.1:5778",
      "refreshInterval": 60
   }
   }
type: Opaque
```

2. Create the secret. For example, if you saved the previous secret definition in the **myjaeger.yaml** file, you would run the following command:



3. Define an APIManager custom resource (CR) that specifies **OpenTracing** attributes. In the CR definition, set the **openTracing.tracingConfigSecretRef.name** attribute to the name of the secret that contains your OpenTracing configuration details. The following example shows only content relative to configuring OpenTracing:



4. Create the APIManager CR that configures OpenTracing. For example, if you saved the APIManager CR in the **apimanager1.yamI** file, you would run the following command:

\$ oc apply -f apimanager1.yaml

Next steps

Depending on how OpenTracing is installed, you should see the traces in the Jaeger service user interface.

Additional resource

• APIManager custom resource definition

2.5.5. Enabling TLS at the pod level with the 3scale API Management operator

3scale deploys two APIcast instances, one for production and the other for staging. TLS can be enabled for only production or only staging, or for both instances.

Prerequisites

• A valid certificate for enabling TLS.

Procedure

1. Create a secret from your valid certificate, for example:

\$ oc create secret tls mycertsecret --cert=server.crt --key=server.key

The configuration exposes secret references in the APIManager custom resource (CR). You create the secret and then reference the name of the secret in the APIManager CR as follows:

- Production: The APIManager CR exposes the certificate in the **.spec.apicast.productionSpec.httpsCertificateSecretRef** field.
- Staging: The APIManager CR exposes the certificate in the **.spec.apicast.stagingSpec.httpsCertificateSecretRef** field. Optionally, you can configure the following:
- **httpsPort** indicates which port APIcast should start listening on for HTTPS connections. If this clashes with the HTTP port APIcast uses this port for HTTPS only.
- httpsVerifyDepth defines the maximum length of the client certificate chain.



NOTE

Provide a valid certificate and reference from the APIManager CR. If the configuration can access **httpsPort** but not **httpsCertificateSecretRef**, APIcast uses an embedded self-signed certificate. This is not recommended.

- 2. Click Operators > Installed Operators
- 3. From the list of Installed Operators, click 3scale Operator.
- 4. Click the API Manager tab.
- 5. Click Create APIManager.
- 6. Add the following YAML definitions to the editor.
 - a. If enabling for *production*, configure the following YAML definitions:



- b. If enabling for staging, configure the following YAML defintions:
 - spec: apicast: stagingSpec: httpsPort: 8443 httpsVerifyDepth: 1 httpsCertificateSecretRef: name: mycertsecret
- 7. Click Create.

2.5.6. Proof of concept for evaluation deployment

The following sections describe the configuration options applicable to the proof of concept for an evaluation deployment of 3scale. This deployment uses internal databases as default.



IMPORTANT

The configuration for external databases is the standard deployment option for production environments.

2.5.6.1. Default deployment configuration

- Containers will have Kubernetes resource limits and requests .
 - This ensures a minimum performance level.
 - It limits resources to allow external services and allocation of solutions.
- Deployment of internal databases.
- File storage will be based on Persistence Volumes (PV).
 - One will require read, write, execute (RWX) access mode.
 - OpenShift configured to provide them upon request.
- Deploy MySQL as the internal relational database.

The default configuration option is suitable for proof of concept (PoC) or evaluation by a customer.

One, many, or all of the default configuration options can be overridden with specific field values in the APIManager custom resource (CR). The 3scale operator allows all available combinations. For example, the 3scale operator allows deployment of 3scale in evaluation mode and external databases mode.

2.5.6.2. Evaluation installation

For and evaluation installation, containers will not have kubernetes resource limits and requests specified. For example:

- Small memory footprint
- Fast startup
- Runnable on laptop
- Suitable for presale/sales demos

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec: wildcardDomain: lvh.me resourceRequirementsEnabled: false

Additional resources

• APIManager

2.5.7. External databases installation



IMPORTANT

When you externalize databases from a Red Hat 3scale API Management deployment, this means to provide isolation from the application and resilience against service disruptions at the database level. The resilience to service disruptions depends on the service level agreements (SLAs) provided by the infrastructure or platform provider where you host the databases. This is not offered by 3scale. For more details on externalizing of databases offered by your chosen deployment, see the associated documentation.

An external databases installation is suitable for production where you want to provide uninterrupted uptime or where you plan to reuse your own databases.



IMPORTANT

When enabling the 3scale external databases installation mode, you can configure one or more of the following databases as external to 3scale:

- backend-redis
- system-redis
- system-database (mysql, postgresql, or oracle)
- zync-database

Before creating an APIManager CR to deploy 3scale, you must provide the following connection settings for the external databases by using OpenShift secrets.

Additional resources

• Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations

2.5.7.1. Backend Redis secret

Deploy two external Redis instances and fill in the connection settings as shown in the following example:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
name: backend-redis
stringData:
REDIS_STORAGE_URL: "redis://backend-redis-storage"
REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_HOSTS: "redis://sentinel-0.example.com:26379,redis://sentinel-
1.example.com:26379, redis://sentinel-2.example.com:26379"
REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_ROLE: "master"
REDIS_QUEUES_URL: "redis://backend-redis-queues"
```

```
REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_HOSTS: "redis://sentinel-0.example.com:26379,redis://sentinel-
1.example.com:26379, redis://sentinel-2.example.com:26379"
REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_ROLE: "master"
type: Opaque
```

The Secret name must be **backend-redis**.

2.5.7.2. System Redis secret

Deploy two external Redis instances and fill in the connection settings as shown in the following example:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
name: system-redis
stringData:
URL: "redis://system-redis"
SENTINEL_HOSTS: "redis://sentinel-0.example.com:26379,redis://sentinel-1.example.com:26379,
redis://sentinel-2.example.com:26379"
SENTINEL_ROLE: "master"
NAMESPACE: ""
type: Opaque
```

The Secret name must be system-redis.

2.5.7.3. System database secret



NOTE

• The Secret name must be **system-database**.

When you are deploying 3scale, you have three alternatives for your system database. Configure different attributes and values for each alternative's related secret.

- MySQL
- PostgreSQL
- Oracle Database

To deploy a MySQL, PostgreSQL, or an Oracle Database system database secret, fill in the connection settings as shown in the following examples:

MySQL system database secret

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata: name: system-database stringData: URL: "mysql2://{DB_USER}:{DB_PASSWORD}@{DB_HOST}:{DB_PORT}/{DB_NAME}" type: Opaque



IMPORTANT

If you use MySQL 8.0 with 3scale 2.12, you must set the authentication plugin to **mysql_native_password**. Add the following to the MySQL configuration file:

[mysqld] default_authentication_plugin=mysql_native_password

PostgreSQL system database secret

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata: name: system-database stringData: URL: "postgresql://{DB_USER}:{DB_PASSWORD}@{DB_HOST}:{DB_PORT}/{DB_NAME}" type: Opaque

Oracle system database secret

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata: name: system-database stringData: URL: "oracle-enhanced://{DB_USER}:{DB_PASSWORD}@{DB_HOST}:{DB_PORT}/{DB_NAME}" ORACLE_SYSTEM_PASSWORD: "{SYSTEM_PASSWORD}" type: Opaque



NOTE

- {DB_USER} and {DB_PASSWORD} are the username and password of the regular non-system user.
- {**DB_NAME**} is the Oracle Database service name.
- **ORACLE_SYSTEM_PASSWORD** is optional, see Configure a database user.

2.5.7.4. Zync database secret

In a zync database setup, when the **spec.externalComponents.zync.database** field is set to **true**, you must create a secret named **zync** before you deploy 3scale. In this secret, set the **DATABASE_URL** and **DATABASE_PASSWORD** fields to the values that point to your external zync database, for example:

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata: name: zync stringData: DATABASE_URL: postgresql://<zync-db-user>:<zync-db-password>@<zync-db-host>:<zync-dbport>/zync_production ZYNC_DATABASE_PASSWORD: <zync-db-password> type: Opaque The zync database must be in high-availability mode.

2.5.7.5. APIManager custom resources to deploy 3scale API Management

- NOTE
 - When you enable external components, you must create a secret for each external component (**backend-redis**, **system-redis**, **system-database**, **zync**) before you deploy 3scale.
 - For an external **system-database**, choose only one type of database to externalize.

Configuration of the APIManager custom resource (CR) depends on whether or not your choice of database is external to your 3scale deployment.

If **backend-redis**, **system-redis**, or **system-database** is external to 3scale, populate the APIManager CR **externalComponents** object as shown in the following example:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
wildcardDomain: lvh.me
externalComponents:
system:
database: true
```

Additional resources

- Backend redis secret
- System database secret
- APIManager ExternalComponentsSpec
- Zync secret

2.5.8. Enabling pod affinity in the 3scale API Management operator

You can enable pod affinities in the 3scale operator for every component. This ensures distribution of pod replicas from each **deploymentConfig** across different nodes of the cluster, so they will be evenly balanced across different availability zones (AZ).

2.5.8.1. Customizing node affinity and tolerations at component level

Customize kubernetes affinity and tolerations in your 3scale solution through the APIManager CR attributes. You can then customize to schedule different 3scale components onto kubernetes nodes.

For example, to set a custom node affinity for **backend-listener** and custom tolerations for **systemmemcached**, do the following:

Custom affinity and tolerations

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec: backend: listenerSpec: affinity: nodeAffinity: requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution: nodeSelectorTerms: - matchExpressions: - key: "kubernetes.io/hostname" operator: In values: - ip-10-96-1-105 - key: "beta.kubernetes.io/arch" operator: In values: - amd64 system: memcachedTolerations: - key: key1 value: value1 operator: Equal effect: NoSchedule - key: key2 value: value2 operator: Equal effect: NoSchedule

Add the following affinity block to **apicastProductionSpec** or to any non-database **deploymentConfig**. This adds a soft **podAntiAffinity** configuration using

preferredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution. The scheduler will try to run this set of **apicast-production** pods in different hosts from different AZs. If it is not possible, then allow them to run elsewhere:

Soft podAntiAffinity

```
affinity:

podAntiAffinity:

preferredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:

- weight: 100

podAffinityTerm:

labelSelector:

matchLabels:

deploymentConfig: apicast-production

topologyKey: kubernetes.io/hostname

- weight: 99

podAffinityTerm:

labelSelector:

matchLabels:

deploymentConfig: apicast-production

topologyKey: topology.kubernetes.io/zone
```

In the following example, a hard **podAntiAffinity** configuration is set using **requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution**. Conditions must be met to schedule a pod onto a node. A risk exists, for example, that you will not be able to schedule new pods on a cluster with low free resources:

Hard podAntiAffinity

affinity: podAntiAffinity: requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution: - weight: 100 podAffinityTerm: labelSelector: matchLabels: deploymentConfig: apicast-production topologyKey: kubernetes.io/hostname - weight: 99 podAffinityTerm: labelSelector: matchLabels: deploymentConfig: apicast-production topologyKey: topology.kubernetes.io/zone

Additional resources

APIManager CDR reference

2.5.9. Multiple clusters in multiple availability zones



NOTE

In case of failure, bringing a passive cluster into active mode disrupts the provision of the service until the procedure finishes. Due to this disruption, be sure to have a maintenance window.

This documentation focuses on deployment using Amazon Web Services (AWS). The same configuration options apply to other public cloud vendors where the provider's managed database services offer, for example, support for multiple availability zones and multiple regions.

When you want to install 3scale on several OpenShift clusters and high availability (HA) zones, there are options available which you can refer to here.

In multiple cluster installation options, clusters work in an active/passive configuration, with the failover procedure involving a few manual steps.

2.5.9.1. Prerequisites for multiple clusters installations

Use the following in 3scale installations that involve using several OpenShift clusters:

- Use pod affinities with both **kubernetes.io/hostname** and **topology.kubernetes.io/zone** rules in the APIManager custom resource (CR).
- Use pod disruption budgets in the APIManager CR.

- A 3scale installation over multiple clusters must use the same shared *wildcardDomain* attribute specifications in the APIManager CR. The use of a different domain for each cluster is not allowed in this installation mode, as the information stored in the database would be conflicting.
- You must manually deploy the secrets containing credentials, such as tokens and passwords, in all clusters with the same values. The 3scale operator creates them with secure random values on every cluster. In this case, you need to have the same credentials in both clusters. You will find the list of secrets and how to configure them in the 3scale operator documentation. The following is the list of secrets you must mirror in both clusters:
 - backend-internal-api
 - system-app
 - system-events-hook
 - system-master-apicast
 - system-seed

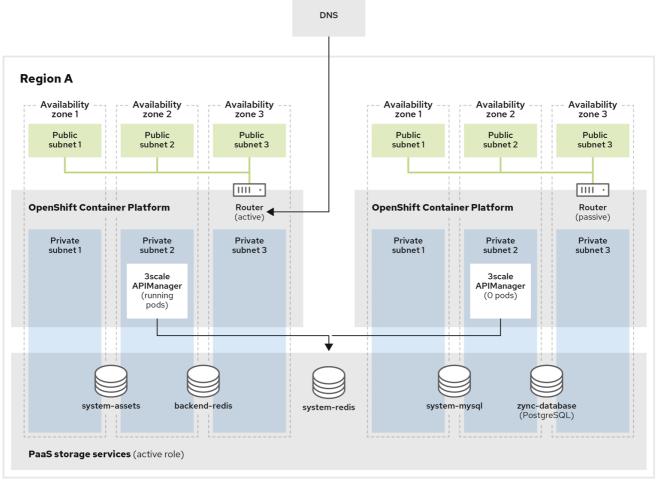
You must manually deploy secrets with the database connection strings for **backend-redis**, **system-redis**, **system-database** and **zync**. See External databases installation.

- Databases shared among clusters must use the same values on all clusters.
- If each cluster have their own databases, they must use different values on each cluster.

2.5.9.2. Active-passive clusters on the same region with shared databases

This setup consists of having two or more clusters in the same region and deploying 3scale in activepassive mode. One cluster is active, receiving traffic. The others are in standby mode without receiving traffic, therefore passive, but prepared to assume the active role in case there is a failure in the active cluster.

In this installation option, only a single region is in use and databases will be shared among all clusters.



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2.5.9.3. Configuring and installing shared databases

Procedure

- 1. Create two or more OpenShift clusters in the same region using different availability zones (AZs). A minimum of three zones is recommended.
- 2. Create all required AWS ElastiCache (EC) instances with Amazon Relational Database Service (RDS) Multi-AZ enabled:
 - a. One AWS EC for Backend Redis database
 - b. One AWS EC for System Redis database
- 3. Create all required AWS RDS instances with Amazon RDS Multi-AZ enabled:
 - a. One AWS RDS for the System database
 - b. One AWS RDS for Zync database
- 4. Configure a AWS S3 bucket for the system assets.
- 5. Create a custom domain in AWS Route53 or your DNS provider and point it to the OpenShift router of the active cluster. This must coincide with the *wildcardDomain* attribute from APIManager custom resource (CR).

- 6. Install 3scale in the passive cluster. The APIManager CR should be identical to the one used in the previous step. When all pods are running, change the APIManager to deploy 0 replicas for all the *backend*, *system*, *zync* and APIcast pods.
 - a. Set replicas to 0 to avoid consuming jobs from active database. Deployment will fail due to pod dependencies if each replica is set to 0 at first. For example, pods checking that others are running. First deploy as normal, then set replicas to 0 as shown in the APIManager spec example:

spec:
apicast:
stagingSpec:
replicas: 0
productionSpec:
replicas: 0
backend:
listenerSpec:
replicas: 0
workerSpec:
replicas: 0
cronSpec:
replicas: 0
zync:
appSpec:
replicas: 0
queSpec:
replicas: 0
system:
appSpec:
replicas: 0
sidekiqSpec:
replicas: 0

2.5.9.4. Manual failover shared databases

Procedure

- In the active cluster, scale down the replicas of the *backend*, *system*, *zync*, and APIcast pods to O.
 - a. This becomes the new passive cluster, so you ensure that the new passive cluster will not consume jobs from active databases. Downtime starts here.
- 2. In the passive cluster, edit the APIManager to scale up the replicas of the *backend*, *system*, *zync*, and APIcast pods that were set to 0, so it will become the active cluster.
- 3. In the new active cluster, recreate the OpenShift routes created by *zync*.
 - a. Run the **zync:resync:domains** command from the **system-master** container of the **system-app** pod:

bundle exec rake zync:resync:domains

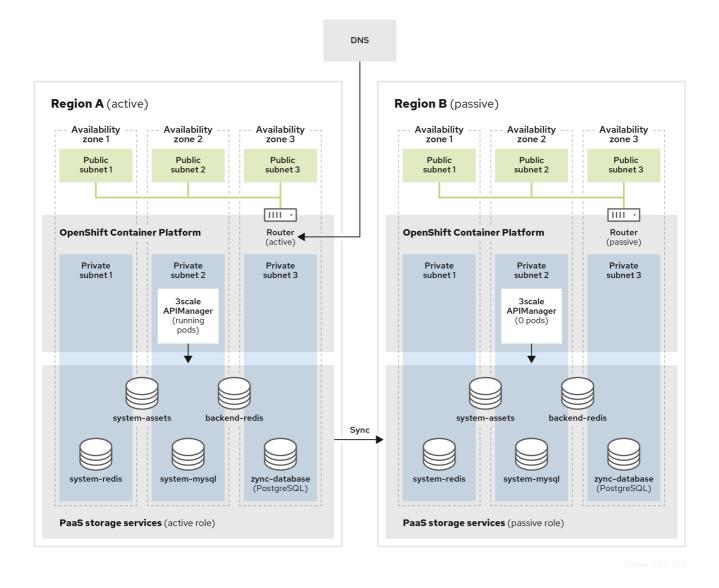
4. Point the custom domain created in AWS Route53 to the OpenShift router of the new active cluster.

a. The old passive cluster will start to receive traffic, and becomes the new active cluster.

2.5.9.5. Active-passive clusters on different regions with synced databases

This setup consists of having two or more clusters in different regions and deploying 3scale in activepassive mode. One cluster is active, receiving traffic, the others are in standby mode without receiving traffic, therefore passive, but prepared to assume the active role in case there is a failure in the active cluster.

To ensure good database access latency, each cluster has its own database instances. The databases from the active 3scale installation are replicated to the read-replica databases of the 3scale passive installations so the data is available and up to date in all regions for a possible failover.



2.5.9.6. Configuring and installing synced databases

Procedure

- 1. Create two or more OpenShift clusters in different regions using different availability zones. A minimum of three zones is recommended.
- 2. Create all required AWS ElastiCache instances with Amazon RDS Multi-AZ enabled on every region:

- a. Two AWS EC for Backend Redis database: one per region.
- b. Two AWS EC for System Redis database: one per region.
- c. Use the cross-region replication with the Global Datastore feature enabled, so the databases from passive regions are read-replicas from the master databases at the active region.
- 3. Create all required AWS RDS instances with Amazon RDS Multi-AZ enabled on every region:
 - a. Two AWS RDS for the System database.
 - b. Two AWS RDS for Zync database.
 - c. Use cross-region replication, so the databases from passive regions are read-replicas from the master databases at the active region.
- 4. Configure a AWS S3 bucket for the system assets on every region using cross-region replication.
- 5. Create a custom domain in AWS Route53 or your DNS provider and point it to the OpenShift Router of the active cluster. This must coincide with the *wildcardDomain* attribute from APIManager CR.
- 6. Install 3scale in the passive cluster. The APIManager CR should be identical to the one used in the previous step. When all pods are running, change the APIManager to deploy 0 replicas for all the **backend**, **system**, **zync**, and **APIcast** pods.
 - a. Set replicas to 0 to avoid consuming jobs from active database. Deployment will fail due to pod dependencies if each replica is set to 0 at first. For example, pods checking that others are running. First deploy as normal, then set replicas to 0.

2.5.9.7. Manual failover synced databases

Procedure

- 1. Do steps 1, 2 and 3 from Manual Failover shared databases.
 - a. Every cluster has its own independent databases: read-replicas from the master at the active region.
 - b. You must manually execute a failover on every database to select the new master on the passive region, which then becomes the active region.
- 2. Manual failovers of the databases to execute are:
 - a. AWS RDS: System and Zync.
 - b. AWS ElastiCaches: Backend and System.
- 3. Do step 4 from Manual Failover shared databases.

2.5.10. Amazon Simple Storage Service 3scale API Management fileStorage installation

Before creating APIManager custom resource (CR) to deploy 3scale, provide connection settings for the Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) service by using an OpenShift secret.



IMPORTANT

- Skip this section if you are deploying 3scale with the local filesystem storage.
- The name you choose for a secret can be any name as long as it is not an existing secret name and it will be referenced in the APIManager CR.
- If **AWS_REGION** is not provided for S3 compatible storage, use **default** or the deployment will fail.
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2.5.10.1. Amazon S3 bucket creation

Prerequisites

• You must have an Amazon Web Services (AWS) account.

Procedure

- 1. Create a bucket for storing the system assets.
- 2. Disable the public access blocker of S3 when using the Logo feature of the Developer Portal.
- 3. Create an Identity and Access Management (IAM) policy with the following minimum permissions:



4. Create a CORS configuration with the following rules:

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> <CORSConfiguration xmlns="http://s3.amazonaws.com/doc/2006-03-01/"> <CORSRule> <AllowedOrigin>https://*</AllowedOrigin> <AllowedMethod>GET</AllowedMethod> </CORSRule> </CORSRule>

2.5.10.2. Create an OpenShift secret

The following examples show 3scale *fileStorage* using Amazon S3 instead of persistent volume claim (PVC).



NOTE

AN AWS S3 compatible provider can be configured in the S3 secret with **AWS_HOSTNAME**, **AWS_PATH_STYLE**, and **AWS_PROTOCOL** optional keys. See the fileStorage S3 credentials secret fields table for more details.

In the following example, Secret name can be anything, as it is be referenced in the APIManager CR.

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata: creationTimestamp: null name: aws-auth stringData: AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID: <ID_123456> AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID: <ID_98765544> AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY: <ID_98765544> AWS_BUCKET: <mybucket.example.com> AWS_REGION: eu-west-1 type: Opaque

Lastly, create the APIManager CR to deploy 3scale.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: <example_apimanager>
namespace: <3scale_test>
spec:
wildcardDomain: lvh.me
system:
fileStorage:
simpleStorageService:
configurationSecretRef:
name: aws-auth
```

Check APIManager SystemS3Spec.

The following table shows the **fileStorage** Amazon S3 credentials secret field requirements for Identity and Access Management (IAM) and Security Token Service (STS) settings:

- The S3 authentication method using Secure Token Service (STS) is for short-term, limitedprivilege security credentials.
- S3 Identity and Access Management (IAM) is for long-term privilege security credentials.

Table 2.1. fileStorage S3 credentials secret fields

Field	Description	Required for IAM	Required for STS
AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID	AWS Access Key ID to use in S3 Storage for system's fileStorage	Yes	No
AWS_SECRET_ACCESS _KEY	AWS Access Key Secret to use in S3 Storage for system's fileStorage	Yes	No
AWS_BUCKET	The S3 bucket to be used as system's fileStorage for assets	Yes	Yes
AWS_REGION	The region of the S3 bucket to be used as system's fileStorage for assets	Yes	Yes
AWS_HOSTNAME	Default: Amazon endpoints - An AWS S3 compatible provider endpoint hostname	No	No
AWS_PROTOCOL	Default: HTTPS An AWS S3 compatible provider endpoint protocol	No	No
AWS_PATH_STYLE	Default: false When set to true , the bucket name is always left in the request URI and never moved to the host as a sub-domain	No	No
AWS_ROLE_ARN	ARN of the Role which has a policy attached to authenticate using AWS STS	No	Yes

Field	Description	Required for IAM	Required for STS
AWS_WEB_IDENTITY_T OKEN_FILE	Path to mounted token file location. For example: /var/run/secrets/ope nshift/serviceaccoun t/token	No	Yes

2.5.10.3. Manual mode with STS

STS authentication mode must be enabled from the APIManager CR. You can define your audience, however, the default value is **openshift**.

Prerequisites

• Configure OpenShift to use temporary credentials for different components with AWS Security Token Service (STS). For further detail see Using manual mode with Amazon Web Services Secure Token Service.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: <apimanager_sample>
namespace: <3scale_test>
spec:
wildcardDomain: lvh.me
system:
fileStorage:
simpleStorageService:
configurationSecretRef:
name: s3-credentials
sts:
enabled: true
audience: openshift
```

The secret generated by the cloud credential tooling looks different from the IAM secret. There are two new fields **AWS_ROLE_ARN** and **AWS_WEB_IDENTITY_TOKEN_FILE** instead of **AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID** and **AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY**.

STS secret example

kind: Secret apiVersion: v1 metadata: name: s3-credentials namespace: 3scale data: AWS_ROLE_ARN: arn:aws:iam::ID:role/ROLE AWS_WEB_IDENTITY_TOKEN_FILE: /var/run/secrets/openshift/serviceaccount/token

AWS_BUCKET: <mybucket.example.com> AWS_REGION: eu-west-1 type: Opaque

With STS, the 3scale operator adds the projected volume to request the token. The following pods have a projected volume:

- system-app
- system-app hook pre
- system-sidekiq

Pod example for STS

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 name: system-sidekiq-1-zncrz
 namespace: 3scale-test
spec:
 containers:
  volumeMounts:
  - mountPath: /var/run/secrets/openshift/serviceaccount
   name: s3-credentials
   readOnly: true
 volumes:
 - name: s3-credentials
  projected:
   defaultMode: 420
   sources:
   - serviceAccountToken:
      audience: openshift
      expirationSeconds: 3600
      path: token
```

Additional resources

- APIManager SystemS3Spec
- S3 secret reference
- Using manual mode with Amazon Web Services Secure Token Service
- Short lived Credentials with AWS Security Token Service

2.5.11. PostgreSQL installation

A MySQL internal relational database is the default deployment. This deployment configuration can be overridden to use PostgreSQL instead.

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager

```
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
wildcardDomain: lvh.me
system:
database:
postgresql: {}
```

Additional resources

• APIManager DatabaseSpec

2.5.12. Configuring SMTP variables (optional)

3scale uses email to send notifications and invite new users. If you intend to use these features, you must provide your own SMTP server and configure SMTP variables in the **system-smtp** secret.

Perform the following steps to configure the SMTP variables in the system-smtp secret.

Procedure

1. If you are not already logged in, log in to OpenShift:



2. Using the **oc patch** command, specify the secret type where **system-smtp** is the name of the secret, followed by the **-p** option, and write the new values in JSON for the following variables:

Field	Description	Default value
address	This is the address (hostname or IP) of the remote mail server to use. If this is set to a value different than "", system will use the mail server to send mails related to events that happen in the API management solution.	
port	This is the port of the remote mail server to use.	
domain	Use domain if the mail server requires a HELO domain.	

Field	Description	Default value
authentication	Use if the mail server requires authentication. Set the authentication types: plain to send the password in the clear, login to send password Base64 encoded, or cram_md5 to combine a challenge/response mechanism based on the HMAC-MD5 algorithm.	••••
username	Use username if the mail server requires authentication and the authentication type requires it.	
password	Use password if the mail server requires authentication and the authentication type requires it.	
openssl.verify.mode	When using TLS, you can set how OpenSSL checks the certificate. This is useful if you need to validate a self-signed and/or a wildcard certificate. You can use the name of an OpenSSL verify constant: none or peer .	
from_address	from address value for the no- reply mail.	

Examples

\$ oc patch secret system-smtp -p '{"stringData":{"address":"<your_address>"}}'
\$ oc patch secret system-smtp -p '{"stringData":{"username":"<your_username>"}}'
\$ oc patch secret system-smtp -p '{"stringData":{"password":"<your_password>"}}'

3. After you have set the secret variables, redeploy the **system-app** and **system-sidekiq** pods:

\$ oc rollout latest dc/system-app \$ oc rollout latest dc/system-sidekiq

4. Check the status of the rollout to ensure it has finished:

\$ oc rollout status dc/system-app \$ oc rollout status dc/system-sidekiq

2.5.13. Customizing compute resource requirements at component level

Customize Kubernetes Compute Resource Requirements in your 3scale solution through the APIManager custom resource (CR) attributes. Do this to customize compute resource requirements, which is CPU and memory, assigned to a specific APIManager component.

The following example outlines how to customize compute resource requirements for the systemmaster's **system-provider** container, for the **backend-listener** and for the **zync-database**:

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec: backend: listenerSpec: resources: requests: memory: "150Mi" cpu: "300m" limits: memory: "500Mi" cpu: "1000m" system: appSpec: developerContainerResources: limits: cpu: 1500m memory: 1400Mi requests: cpu: 150m memory: 600Mi masterContainerResources: limits: cpu: 1500m memory: 1400Mi requests: cpu: 150m memory: 600Mi providerContainerResources: limits: cpu: 1500m memory: 1400Mi requests: cpu: 150m memory: 600Mi zync: databaseResources: requests: memory: "111Mi" cpu: "222m" limits: memory: "333Mi" cpu: "444m"

Additional resources

• APIManager CRD reference

2.5.13.1. Default APIManager components compute resources

When you configure the APIManager **spec.resourceRequirementsEnabled** attribute as **true**, the default compute resources are set for the APIManager components.

The specific compute resources default values that are set for the APIManager components are shown in the following table.

2.5.13.1.1. CPU and memory units

The following list explains the units you will find mentioned in the compute resources default values table. For more information on CPU and memory units, see Managing Resources for Containers.

Resource units explanation

- m milliCPU or millicore
- Mi mebibytes
- Gi gibibyte
- G gigabyte

Table 2.3. Compute resources default values

Component	CPU requests	CPU limits	Memory requests	Memory limits
system-app's system-master	50m	1000m	600Mi	800Mi
system-app's system-provider	50m	1000m	600Mi	800Mi
system-app's system-developer	50m	1000m	600Mi	800Mi
system-sidekiq	100m	1000m	500Mi	2Gi
system-searchd	80m	1000m	250Mi	512Mi
system-redis	150m	500m	256Mi	32Gi
system-mysql	250m	No limit	512Mi	2Gi
system-postgresql	250m	No limit	512Mi	2Gi
backend-listener	500m	1000m	550Mi	700Mi

Component	CPU requests	CPU limits	Memory requests	Memory limits
backend-worker	150m	1000m	50Mi	300Mi
backend-cron	50m	150m	40Mi	80Mi
backend-redis	1000m	2000m	1024Mi	32Gi
apicast-production	500m	1000m	64Mi	128Mi
apicast-staging	50m	100m	64Mi	128Mi
zync	150m	1	250M	512Mi
zync-que	250m	1	250M	512Mi
zync-database	50m	250m	250M	2G

2.5.14. Customizing node affinity and tolerations at component level

Customize Kubernetes Affinity and Tolerations in your Red Hat 3scale API Management solution through the APIManager CR attributes to customize where and how the different 3scale components of an installation are scheduled onto Kubernetes Nodes.

The following example sets a custom node affinity for the backend. It also sets listener and custom tolerations for the **system-memcached**:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
 name: example-apimanager
spec:
 backend:
  listenerSpec:
   affinity:
    nodeAffinity:
      requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:
       nodeSelectorTerms:
       - matchExpressions:
        - key: "kubernetes.io/hostname"
         operator: In
         values:
         - ip-10-96-1-105
        - key: "beta.kubernetes.io/arch"
         operator: In
         values:
         - amd64
 system:
  memcachedTolerations:
  - key: key1
   value: value1
```

operator: Equal effect: NoSchedule

 key: key2 value: value2 operator: Equal effect: NoSchedule

Additional resources

• APIManager CRD reference

2.5.15. Pod priority of 3scale API Management components

As a 3scale administrator, you can set up the pod priority for various 3scale installed components by modifying the APIManager custom resource (CR). Use the optional **priorityClassName** available in the following components:

- apicast-production
- apicast-staging
- backend-cron
- backend-listener
- backend-worker
- backend-redis
- system-app
- system-sidekiq
- system-searchd
- system-memcache
- system-mysql
- system-postgresql
- system-redis
- zync
- zync-database
- zync-que

For example:

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec: wildcardDomain: api.vmogilev01.0nno.s1.devshift.org resourceRequirementsEnabled: false apicast: stagingSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical productionSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical backend: listenerSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical cronSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical workerSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical redisPriorityClassName: openshift-user-critical system: appSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical sidekiqSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical searchdSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical searchdSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical memcachedPriorityClassName: openshift-user-critical redisPriorityClassName: openshift-user-critical database: postgresql: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical zync: appSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical queSpec: priorityClassName: openshift-user-critical databasePriorityClassName: openshift-user-critical

2.5.16. Setting custom labels

You can customize labels through the APIManager CR labels attribute for each DeploymentConfig (DC) that are applied to their respective pods.



NOTE

If you remove a label defined in a Custom Resource (CR), it is not automatically removed from the associated DeploymentConfig (DC). You must manually remove the label from the DC.

Example for apicast-staging and backend-listener:

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec:

wildcardDomain: example.com resourceRequirementsEnabled: false
backend:
listenerSpec:
labels:
backendLabel1: sample-label1
backendLabel2: sample-label2
apicast:
stagingSpec:
labels:
apicastStagingLabel1: sample-label1
apicastStagingLabel2: sample-label2

Additional resources

APIManager CRD reference

2.5.17. Setting backend client to skip certificate verification

When a controller processes an object, it generates a new backend client for making API calls. By default, this client is set up to confirm the server's certificate chain. However, during development and testing, you might need the client to skip certificate verification when processing an object. To achieve this, add the annotation **"insecure_skip_verify": "true"** to the following objects:

- ActiveDoc
- Application
- Backend
- CustomPolicyDefinition
- DeveloperAccount
- DeveloperUser
- OpenAPI backend and product
- Product
- ProxyConfigPromote
- Tenant

OpenAPI CR example:

```
apiVersion: capabilities.3scale.net/v1beta1
kind: OpenAPI
metadata:
name: ownertest
namespace: threescale
annotations:
"insecure_skip_verify": "true"
spec:
openapiRef:
secretRef:
```

name: myopenapi namespace: threescale productSystemName: testProduct

2.5.18. Setting custom annotations

In 3scale, the components' pods have annotations. These are key/value pairs used for configurations. You can change these annotations for any 3scale component using the APIManager CR.



NOTE

If you remove an annotation defined in a custom resource (CR), it is not automatically removed from the associated DeploymentConfig (DC). You must manually remove the annotation from the DC.

APIManager annotations for apicast-staging and backend-listener

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
wildcardDomain: example.com
apicast:
stagingSpec:
annotations:
anno-sample1: anno1
backend:
listenerSpec:
annotations:
anno-sample2: anno2
```

Additional resources

• APIManager CRD reference

2.5.19. Reconciliation

Once 3scale has been installed, the 3scale operator enables updating a given set of parameters from the custom resource (CR) to modify system configuration options. Modifications are made by *hot swapping*, that is, without stopping or shutting down the system.

When a reconciliation event happens in the 3scale operator and the APIcast operator, there are two possible scenarios:

- When there is no **deploymentconfig** and the CR has replicas, the **deploymentconfig** value will match those replicas. If the CR does not contain replicas, the **deploymentconfig** replica value will be set to **1**.
- When there is a **deploymentconfig** and the CR has replicas, the **deploymentconfig** value will match those replicas, even if it is **0**. If the CR does not contain replicas, the **deploymentconfig** value stays the same.

Not all the parameters of the APIManager CR definitions (CRDs) are reconcilable.

The following is a list of reconcilable parameters:

- Resources
- Backend replicas
- APIcast replicas
- System replicas
- Zync replicas

2.5.19.1. Resources

Resource limits and requests for all 3scale components.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
resourceRequirementsEnabled: true/false
```

2.5.19.2. Backend replicas

Backend components pod count.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
backend:
listenerSpec:
replicas: X
workerSpec:
replicas: Y
cronSpec:
replicas: Z
```



NOTE

When the replica field is not set, the operator does not reconcile replicas. This allows third party controllers to manage replicas, like HorizontalPodAutoscaler controllers. It also allows update them manually on the deployment object.

2.5.19.3. APIcast replicas

APIcast staging and production components pod count.

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec: apicast: productionSpec: replicas: X stagingSpec: replicas: Z



NOTE

When the replica field is not set, the operator does not reconcile replicas. This allows third party controllers to manage replicas, like HorizontalPodAutoscaler controllers. It also allows update them manually on the deployment object.

2.5.19.4. System replicas

System app and system *sidekiq* components pod count.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
system:
appSpec:
replicas: X
sidekiqSpec:
replicas: Z
```



NOTE

When the replica field is not set, the operator does not reconcile replicas. This allows third party controllers to manage replicas, like HorizontalPodAutoscaler controllers. It also allows update them manually on the deployment object.

2.5.19.5. Zync replicas

Zync app and que components pod count.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIManager
metadata:
name: example-apimanager
spec:
zync:
appSpec:
replicas: X
queSpec:
replicas: Z
```



NOTE

When the replica field is not set, the operator does not reconcile replicas. This allows third party controllers to manage replicas, like HorizontalPodAutoscaler controllers. It also allows update them manually on the deployment object.

2.5.20. Setting the APICAST_SERVICE_CACHE_SIZE environment variable

You can specify the number of services that APIcast stores in the internal cache by adding an optional field in the APIManager custom resource definition (CRD).

Prerequisites

• You have installed the **APIcast** operator, or you are in the process of installing it.

Procedure

• Add the **serviceCacheSize** optional fields in both the production and staging sections of the **spec**:

```
apicast:
productionSpec:
serviceCacheSize: 20
stagingSpec:
serviceCacheSize: 10
```

Verification

1. Type the following commands to check the deployment:



\$ oc get dc/apicast-staging -o yaml



\$ oc get dc/apicast-production -o yaml

- 2. Verify inclusion of the environment variables:
 - # apicast-staging
 - name: APICAST_SERVICE_CACHE_SIZE value: '10'
 - # apicast-production
 name: APICAST_SERVICE_CACHE_SIZE
 value: '20'



NOTE

You can specify the number of services that APIcast stores in the internal cache by adding an optional field in the APIManager custom resource definition (CRD). When the replica field is not set, the operator does not reconcile replicas. This allows third party controllers to manage replicas, like HorizontalPodAutoscaler controllers. It also allows update them manually on the deployment object.

Additional resource

• APIcast custom resource definition

2.6. INSTALLING 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT WITH THE OPERATOR USING ORACLE AS THE SYSTEM DATABASE

As a Red Hat 3scale API Management administrator, you can install the 3scale with the operator using the Oracle Database. By default, 3scale 2.14 has a component called **system** that stores configuration data in a MySQL database. You can override the default database and store your information in an external Oracle Database.



NOTE

- The Oracle Database is not supported with OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) versions 4.2 and 4.3 when you are performing an operator-only installation of 3scale. For more information, refer to the Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations page.
- In this documentation **myregistry.example.com** is used as an example of the registry URL. Replace it with your registry URL.
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Prerequisites

- A container registry to push container images, accessible by the OCP cluster where 3scale installed.
- An installation of the 3scale operator.
 - Do not install the APIManager CR, as it will be created in the following procedure.
- A Registry service account for 3scale .
- A supported version of the Oracle Database accessible from your OpenShift cluster.
- Access to the Oracle Database **SYSTEM** user for installation procedures.

To install 3scale with the operator using Oracle as the system database, use the following steps:

- Preparing the Oracle Database
- Building a custom system container image
- Installing 3scale API Management with Oracle using the operator

2.6.1. Preparing the Oracle Database

As a 3scale administrator, you must fully prepare the Oracle Database for your 3scale installation when you decide to use it for the System component.

Procedure

- 1. Create a new database.
- 2. Apply the following settings:

ALTER SYSTEM SET max_string_size=extended SCOPE=SPFILE;

3. Configure a database user

There are two options for setting up Oracle Database integration in 3scale: with or without providing the Oracle **SYSTEM** user password.

3scale uses the **SYSTEM** user only for the initial setup, which consist in creating a regular user and granting it the required privileges. The following SQL commands will set up a regular user with proper permissions. (**{DB_USER}** and **{DB_PASSWORD}** are placeholders that need to be replaced with actual values):

CREATE USER {DB_USER} IDENTIFIED BY {DB_PASSWORD}; GRANT unlimited tablespace TO {DB_USER}; GRANT create session TO {DB_USER}; GRANT create table TO {DB_USER}; GRANT create view TO {DB_USER}; GRANT create sequence TO {DB_USER}; GRANT create trigger TO {DB_USER}; GRANT create procedure TO {DB_USER};

- a. Using the **SYSTEM** user:
 - Provide the SYSTEM user password in ORACLE_SYSTEM_PASSWORD field of the system-database secret.
 - The regular user does not need to exist before the installation. It will be created by the 3scale initialization script.
 - Provide the desired username and password for the regular user in the connection string, for example, oracle-enhanced://{DB_USER}:{DB_PASSWORD}@{DB_HOST}: {DB_PORT}/{DB_NAME} in the URL field of the system-database secret.
 - The password for the regular Oracle Database non-system user must be unique and not match the **SYSTEM** user password.
 - If the user with the specified username already exists, the 3scale initialization script will attempt to update the password using the following command:

ALTER USER {DB_USER} IDENTIFIED BY {DB_PASSWORD}

Your database configuration might prevent this command from completing successfully if the parameters **PASSWORD_REUSE_TIME** and **PASSWORD_REUSE_MAX** are set in a way that restricts reusing the same password.

- b. Manual setup of the regular database user:
 - You do not need to provide the ORACLE_SYSTEM_PASSWORD in the system-

database secret.

- The regular database user (not **SYSTEM**) specified in the connection string in the **URL** field of the **system-database** secret needs to exist prior to the 3scale installation.
- The regular user used for the installation must have all the privileges listed above.

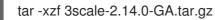
Additional resources

• For information on creating a new database, see the Oracle Database 19c documentation.

2.6.2. Building a custom system container image

Procedure

1. Download 3scale OpenShift templates from the GitHub repository and extract the archive:



- 2. From the Instant Client Downloads page, download:
 - A client: It can be either *basic-lite* or *basic*.
 - The ODBC driver.
 - The SDK for Oracle Database 19c.
 - For 3scale, use Instant Client Downloads for Linux x86-64 (64-bit)
 - For ppc64le and 3scale, use Oracle Instant Client Downloads for Linux on Power Little Endian (64-bit)
- 3. Check the table for the following Oracle software component versions:
 - Oracle Instant Client Package: Basic or Basic Light
 - Oracle Instant Client Package: SDK
 - Oracle Instant Client Package: ODBC

Table 2.4. Oracle 19c example packages for 3scale

Oracle 19c package name	Compressed file name
Basic	instantclient-basic-linux.x64- 19.8.0.0.0dbru.zip
Basic Light	instantclient-basiclite-linux.x64- 19.8.0.0.0dbru.zip
SDK	instantclient-sdk-linux.x64-19.8.0.0.0dbru.zip
ODBC	instantclient-odbc-linux.x64- 19.8.0.0.0dbru.zip

Oracle 19c package name	Compressed file name
Basic	instantclient-basic-linux.leppc64.c64- 19.3.0.0.0dbru.zip
Basic Light	instantclient-basiclite-linux.leppc64.c64- 19.3.0.0.0dbru.zip
SDK	instantclient-sdk-linux.leppc64.c64- 19.3.0.0.0dbru.zip
ODBC	instantclient-odbc-linux.leppc64.c64- 19.3.0.0.0dbru.zip

Table 2.5. Oracle 19c example packages for ppc64le and 3scale



NOTE

If the client packages versions downloaded and stored locally do not match with the ones 3scale expects, 3scale will automatically download and use the appropriate ones in the following steps.

- 4. Place your Oracle Database Instant Client Package files into the **system-oracle-3scale-2.13.0-GA**/**oracle-client-files** directory.
- 5. Login to your **registry.redhat.io** account using the credentials you created in Creating a Registry Service Account.

\$ docker login registry.redhat.io

6. Build the custom system Oracle-based image. The image tag must be a fixed image tag as in the following example:

\$ docker build . -- tag myregistry.example.com/system-oracle:2.14.0-1

7. Push the system Oracle-based image to a container registry accessible by the OCP cluster. This container registry is where your 3scale solution is going to be installed:

\$ docker push myregistry.example.com/system-oracle:2.14.0-1

2.6.3. Installing 3scale API Management with Oracle using the operator

Procedure

- 1. Set up the Oracle Database URL connection string and Oracle Database system password by creating the **system-database** secret with the corresponding fields. See, External databases installation for the Oracle Database.
- 2. Install your 3scale solution by creating an APIManager CR. Follow the instructions in Deploying 3scale API Management using the operator.
 - The APIManager CR must specify the .spec.svstem.image field set to the system's

Oracle-based image you previous built:

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1 kind: APIManager metadata: name: example-apimanager spec: imagePullSecrets: - name: threescale-registry-auth - name: custom-registry-auth system: image: "myregistry.example.com/system-oracle:2.14.0-1" externalComponents: system: database: true

2.7. TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT INSTALLATION ISSUES

This section contains a list of common installation issues and provides guidance for their resolution.

- Previous deployment leaving dirty persistent volume claims
- Wrong or missing credentials of the authenticated image registry
- Incorrectly pulling from the Docker registry
- Permission issues for MySQL when persistent volumes are mounted locally
- Unable to upload logo or images
- Test calls not working on OpenShift
- APIcast on a different project from 3scale API Management failing to deploy

2.7.1. Previous deployment leaving dirty persistent volume claims

Problem

A previous deployment attempt leaves a dirty Persistent Volume Claim (PVC) causing the MySQL container to fail to start.

Cause

Deleting a project in OpenShift does not clean the PVCs associated with it.

Solution

Procedure

1. Find the PVC containing the erroneous MySQL data with the **oc get pvc** command:

oc get pvc NAME STATUS VOLUME CAPACITY ACCESSMODES AGE backend-redis-storage Bound vol003 100Gi RWO,RWX 4d mysql-storage Bound vol006 100Gi RWO,RWX 4d system-redis-storage Bound vol008 100Gi RWO,RWX 4d system-storage Bound vol004 100Gi RWO,RWX 4d

- 2. Stop the deployment of the **system-mysql** pod by clicking **cancel deployment** in the OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) console.
- 3. Delete everything under the MySQL path to clean the volume.
- 4. Start a new **system-mysql** deployment.

2.7.2. Wrong or missing credentials of the authenticated image registry

Problem

Pods are not starting. ImageStreams show the following error:

! error: Import failed (InternalError): ...unauthorized: Please login to the Red Hat Registry

Cause

While installing 3scale on OpenShift 4.x, OpenShift fails to start pods because ImageStreams cannot pull the images they reference. This happens because the pods cannot authenticate against the registries they point to.

Solution

Procedure

1. Type the following command to verify the configuration of your container registry authentication:

\$ oc get secret

• If your secret exists, you will see the following output in the terminal:

threescale-registry-auth kubernetes.io/dockerconfigjson 1 4m9s

- However, if you do not see the output, you must do the following:
- 2. Use the credentials you previously set up while Creating a registry service account to create your secret.
- 3. Use the steps in Configuring registry authentication in OpenShift, replacing <your-registryservice-account-username> and <your-registry-service-account-password> in the oc create secret command provided.
- 4. Generate the **threescale-registry-auth** secret in the same namespace as the APIManager resource. You must run the following inside the **<project-name>**:

\$ oc project <project-name>
\$ oc create secret docker-registry threescale-registry-auth \
 --docker-server=registry.redhat.io \

--docker-username="<your-registry-service-account-username>" \ --docker-password="<your-registry-service-account-password>" --docker-email="<email-address>"

5. Delete and recreate the APIManager resource:

\$ oc delete -f apimanager.yaml apimanager.apps.3scale.net "example-apimanager" deleted

\$ oc create -f apimanager.yaml apimanager.apps.3scale.net/example-apimanager created

Verification

1. Type the following command to confirm that deployments have a status of **Starting** or **Ready**. The pods then begin to spawn:

\$ oc describe apimanager
()
Status:
Deployments:
Ready:
apicast-staging
system-memcache
system-mysql
system-redis
zync
zync-database
zync-que
Starting:
apicast-production
backend-cron
backend-worker
system-sidekiq
system-searchd
Stopped:
backend-listener
backend-redis
system-app

2. Type the following command to see the status of each pod:

\$ oc get pods					
NAME RI	EADY S	TATUS	REST	ARTS A	GE
3scale-operator-66cc6d857b	o-sxhgm	1/1 Runni	ng	0	17h
apicast-production-1-deploy	1/1	Running	0	17m	
apicast-production-1-pxkqm	0/1	Pending	0	17m	
apicast-staging-1-dbwcw	1/1	Running	0	17m	
apicast-staging-1-deploy	0/1	Completed	0	17m	
backend-cron-1-deploy	1/1	Running	0	17m	

2.7.3. Incorrectly pulling from the Docker registry

Problem

The following error occurs during installation:

```
svc/system-redis - 1EX.AMP.LE.IP:6379
dc/system-redis deploys docker.io/rhscl/redis-32-rhel7:3.2-5.3
deployment #1 failed 13 minutes ago: config change
```

Cause

OpenShift searches for and pulls container images by issuing the **docker** command. This command refers to the **docker.io** Docker registry instead of the **registry.redhat.io** Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog.

This occurs when the system contains an unexpected version of the Docker containerized environment.

Solution

Procedure

Use the appropriate version of the Docker containerized environment.

2.7.4. Permission issues for MySQL when persistent volumes are mounted locally

Problem

The system-msql pod crashes and does not deploy causing other systems dependant on it to fail deployment. The pod log displays the following error:

[ERROR] Cannot start server : on unix socket: Permission denied [ERROR] Do you already have another mysqld server running on socket: /var/lib/mysql/mysql.sock ? [ERROR] Aborting

Cause

The MySQL process is started with inappropriate user permissions.

Solution

Procedure

1. The directories used for the persistent volumes MUST have the write permissions for the root group. Having read-write permissions for the root user is not enough as the MySQL service runs as a different user in the root group. Execute the following command as the root user:

\$ chmod -R g+w /path/for/pvs

2. Execute the following command to prevent SElinux from blocking access:

\$ chcon -Rt svirt_sandbox_file_t /path/for/pvs

2.7.5. Unable to upload logo or images

Problem

Unable to upload a logo - **system-app** logs display the following error:

Errno::EACCES (Permission denied @ dir_s_mkdir - /opt/system/public//system/provider-name/2

Cause

Persistent volumes are not writable by OpenShift.

Solution

Procedure

Ensure your persistent volume is writable by OpenShift. It should be owned by root group and be group writable.

2.7.6. Test calls not working on OpenShift

Problem

Test calls do not work after creation of a new service and routes on OpenShift. Direct calls via curl also fail, stating: **service not available**.

Cause

3scale requires HTTPS routes by default, and OpenShift routes are not secured.

Solution

Procedure

Ensure the **secure route** checkbox is clicked in your OpenShift router settings.

2.7.7. APIcast on a different project from 3scale API Management failing to deploy

Problem

APIcast deploy fails (pod does not turn blue). You see the following error in the logs:

update acceptor rejected apicast-3: pods for deployment "apicast-3" took longer than 600 seconds to become ready

You see the following error in the pod:

Error synching pod, skipping: failed to "StartContainer" for "apicast" with RunContainerError: "GenerateRunContainerOptions: secrets \"apicast-configuration-url-secret\" not found"

Cause

The secret was not properly set up.

Solution

Procedure

When creating a secret with APIcast v3, specify apicast-configuration-url-secret:

\$ oc create secret generic apicast-configuration-url-secret --fromliteral=password=https://<ACCESS_TOKEN>@<TENANT_NAME>-admin.<WILDCARD_DOMAIN>

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2.8. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- External Components Specification
- System database

CHAPTER 3. INSTALLING APICAST

APIcast is an NGINX based API gateway used to integrate your internal and external API services with the Red Hat 3scale API Management Platform. APIcast does load balancing by using round-robin.

In this guide you will learn about deployment options, environments provided, and how to get started.

Prerequisites

APIcast is not a standalone API gateway. It needs connection to 3scale API Manager.

• A working 3scale On-Premises instance.

To install APIcast, perform the steps outlined in the following sections:

- APIcast deployment options
- APIcast environments
- Configuring the integration settings
- Configuring your product
- Deploying an APIcast gateway self-managed solution using the operator

3.1. APICAST DEPLOYMENT OPTIONS

You can use hosted or self-managed APIcast. In both cases, APIcast must be connected to the rest of the 3scale API Management platform:

- **Embedded APIcast**: A 3scale API Management installation includes two default APIcast gateways, staging and production. These gateways come preconfigured and ready for immediate use.
- **Self-managed APIcast**: You can deploy APIcast wherever you want. Here is one of the recommended option to deploy APIcast:
 - Running APIcast on Red Hat OpenShift: Run APIcast on a supported version of OpenShift. You can connect self-managed APIcasts to a 3scale On-premises installation or to a 3scale Hosted (SaaS) account. For this, deploy an APIcast gateway self-managed solution using the operator.

3.2. APICAST ENVIRONMENTS

By default, when you create a 3scale account, you get embedded APIcast in two different environments:

- **Staging**: Intended to be used only while configuring and testing your API integration. When you have confirmed that your setup is working as expected, then you can choose to deploy it to the production environment.
- **Production**: This environment is intended for production use. The following parameters are set for the Production APIcast in the OpenShift template: **APICAST_CONFIGURATION_LOADER**: **boot**, **APICAST_CONFIGURATION_CACHE**: **300**. This means that the configuration will be fully loaded when APIcast is started, and will be cached for 300 seconds (5 minutes). After 5

minutes the configuration will be reloaded. This means that when you promote the configuration to production, it may take up to 5 minutes to be applied, unless you trigger a new deployment of APIcast.

3.3. CONFIGURING THE INTEGRATION SETTINGS

As a 3scale administrator, configure the integration settings for the environment you require 3scale to run in.

Prerequisites

A 3scale account with administrator privileges.

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to [Your_product_name] > Integration > Settings
- 2. Under **Deployment**, the default options are as follows:
 - Deployment Option: APIcast 3scale managed
 - Authentication mode: API key.
- 3. Change to your preferred option.
- 4. To save your changes, click Update Product.

3.4. CONFIGURING YOUR PRODUCT

You must declare your API back-end in the *Private Base URL* field, which is the endpoint host of your API back-end. APIcast will redirect all traffic to your API back-end after all authentication, authorization, rate limits and statistics have been processed.

This section will guide you through configuring your product:

- Declaring the API backend
- Configuring the authentication settings
- Configuring the API test call

3.4.1. Declaring the API backend

Typically, the Private Base URL of your API will be something like https://apibackend.yourdomain.com:443, on the domain that you manage (yourdomain.com). For instance, if you were integrating with the Twitter API the Private Base URL would be https://api.twitter.com/.

In this example, you will use the **Echo API** hosted by 3scale, a simple API that accepts any path and returns information about the request (path, request parameters, headers, etc.). Its Private Base URL is https://echo-api.3scale.net:443.

Procedure

- Test your private (unmanaged) API is working. For example, for the Echo API you can make the following call with **curl** command:

\$ curl "https://echo-api.3scale.net:443"

You will get the following response:

```
"method": "GET",
 "path": "/",
 "args": ""
 "body": "",
 "headers": {
  "HTTP_VERSION": "HTTP/1.1",
  "HTTP_HOST": "echo-api.3scale.net",
  "HTTP ACCEPT": "*/*",
  "HTTP_USER_AGENT": "curl/7.51.0",
  "HTTP_X_FORWARDED_FOR": "2.139.235.79, 10.0.103.58",
  "HTTP_X_FORWARDED_HOST": "echo-api.3scale.net",
  "HTTP_X_FORWARDED_PORT": "443",
  "HTTP X FORWARDED PROTO": "https",
  "HTTP_FORWARDED": "for=10.0.103.58;host=echo-api.3scale.net;proto=https"
 },
 "uuid": "ee626b70-e928-4cb1-a1a4-348b8e361733"
3
```

3.4.2. Configuring the authentication settings

You can configure authentication settings for your API in the **AUTHENTICATION** section under **[Your_product_name] > Integration > Settings**

Table 3.1.	Optional	authentication fields
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Field	Description
Auth user key	Set the user key associated with the credentials location.
Credentials location	Define whether credentials are passed as HTTP headers, query parameters or as HTTP basic authentication.
Host Header	Define a custom Host request header. This is required if your API backend only accepts traffic from a specific host.
Secret Token	Used to block direct developer requests to your API backend. Set the value of the header here, and ensure your backend only allows calls with this secret header.

Furthermore, you can configure the **GATEWAY RESPONSE** error codes under **[Your_product_name]** > **Integration** > **Settings**. Define the *Response Code*, *Content-type*, and *Response Body* for the errors: Authentication failed, Authentication missing, and No match.

Table 3.2. Response codes and default response body

Response code	Response body
403	Authentication failed
403	Authentication parameters missing
404	No Mapping Rule matched
429	Usage limit exceeded

3.4.3. Configuring the API test call

Configuring the API involves testing the backends with a product and promoting the APIcast configuration to staging and production environments to make tests based on request calls.

For each product, requests get redirected to their corresponding backend according to the path. This path is configured when you add the backend to the product. For example, if you have two backends added to a product, each backend has its own path.

Prerequisites

- One or more backends added to a product .
- A mapping rule for each backend added to a product.
- An application plan to define the access policies.
- An application that subscribes to the application plan.

Procedure

- 1. Promote an APIcast configuration to Staging, by navigating to [Your_product_name] > Integration > Configuration.
- 2. Under *APIcast Configuration*, you will see the mapping rules for each backend added to the product. Click **Promote v.[n] to Staging APIcast**
 - **v.[n]** indicates the version number to be promoted.
- 3. Once promoted to staging, you can promote to Production. Under *Staging APIcast*, click **Promote v.[n] to Production APIcast**
 - **v.[n]** indicates the version number to be promoted.
- 4. To test requests to your API in the command line, use the command provided in *Example curl for testing*.
 - The curl command example is based on the first mapping rule in the product.

When testing requests to your API, you can modify the mapping rules by adding methods and metrics.

Every time you modify the configuration and before making calls to your API, make sure you promote to

the Staging and Production environments. When there are pending changes to be promoted to the Staging environment, you will see an exclamation mark in the Admin Portal, next to the **Integration** menu item.

3scale Hosted APIcast gateway does the validation of the credentials and applies the rate limits that you defined for the application plan of your API. If you make a call without credentials, or with invalid credentials, you will see the error message, **Authentication failed**.

3.4.4. Deploying APIcast on Podman

This is a step-by-step guide for deploying APIcast on a Pod Manager (Podman) container environment to be used as a Red Hat 3scale API Management API gateway.



NOTE

When deploying APIcast on a Podman container environment, the supported versions of Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) and Podman are as follows:

- RHEL 8.x/9.x
- Podman 4.2.0/4.1.1

Prerequisites

- You must configure APIcast in your 3scale Admin Portal as per Chapter 3, Installing APIcast.
- Access to the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog.
 - To create a registry service account, see Creating and modifying registry service accounts .

To deploy APIcast on the Podman container environment, perform the steps outlined in the following sections:

- Section 3.4.4.1, "Installing the Podman container environment"
- Section 3.4.4.2, "Running the Podman environment"

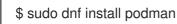
3.4.4.1. Installing the Podman container environment

This guide covers the steps to set up the Podman container environment on RHEL 8.x. Docker is not included in RHEL 8.x, therefore, use Podman for working with containers.

For more details about Podman with RHEL 8.x, see the Container command-line reference.

Procedure

• Install the Podman container environment package:



Additional resources

For other operating systems, refer to the following Podman documentation:

• Podman Installation Instructions

3.4.4.2. Running the Podman environment

To run the Podman container environment, follow the procedure below.

Procedure

1. Download a ready to use Podman container image from the Red Hat registry:

\$ podman pull registry.redhat.io/3scale-amp2/apicast-gateway-rhel8:3scale2.14

2. Run APIcast in a Podman:

\$ podman run --name apicast --rm -p 8080:8080 -e THREESCALE_PORTAL_ENDPOINT=https://<access_token>@<domain>-admin.3scale.net registry.redhat.io/3scale-amp2/apicast-gateway-rhel8:3scale2.14

Here, **<access_token>** is the Access Token for the 3scale Account Management API. You can use the Provider Key instead of the access token. **<domain>-admin.3scale.net** is the URL of your 3scale Admin Portal.

This command runs a Podman container engine called "*apicast*" on port **8080** and fetches the JSON configuration file from your 3scale Admin Portal. For other configuration options, see Installing APIcast.

3.4.4.2.1. Testing APIcast with Podman

The preceding steps ensure that your Podman container engine is running with your own configuration file and the Podman container image from the 3scale registry. You can test calls through APIcast on port **8080** and provide the correct authentication credentials, which you can get from your 3scale account.

Test calls will not only verify that APIcast is running correctly but also that authentication and reporting is being handled successfully.



NOTE

Ensure that the host you use for the calls is the same as the one configured in the *Public Base URL* field on the **Integration** page.

3.4.4.3. The podman command options

You can use the following option examples with the **podman** command:

- -d: Runs the container in *detached mode* and prints the container ID. When it is not specified, the container runs in the foreground mode and you can stop it using **CTRL + c**. When started in the detached mode, you can reattach to the container with the **podman attach** command, for example, **podman attach apicast**.
- **ps** and **-a**: Podman **ps** is used to list creating and running containers. Adding **-a** to the **ps** command will show all containers, both running and stopped, for example, **podman ps -a**.
- inspect and -l: Inspect a running container. For example, use inspect to see the ID that was assigned to the container. Use -l to get the details for the latest container, for example, podman inspect -l | grep ld\":.

3.4.4.4. Additional resources

- Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations
- Basic Setup and Use of Podman

3.5. DEPLOYING AN APICAST GATEWAY SELF-MANAGED SOLUTION USING THE OPERATOR

This guide provides steps for deploying an APIcast gateway self-managed solution using the APIcast operator via the Openshift Container Platform console.

The default settings are for production environment when you deploy APIcast. You can always adjust these settings for deploying a staging environment. For example, use the following **oc** command:

\$ oc patch apicast/{apicast_name} --type=merge -p '{"spec":
{"deploymentEnvironment":"staging","configurationLoadMode":"lazy"}}'

For more information, see the: APIcast Custom Resource reference

Prerequisites

- OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) 4.x or later with administrator privileges.
- * You followed the steps in Installing the APIcast operator on OpenShift.

Procedure

- 1. Log in to the OCP console using an account with administrator privileges.
- 2. Click Operators > Installed Operators
- 3. Click the APIcast Operator from the list of Installed Operators.
- 4. Click APIcast > Create APIcast

3.5.1. APICast deployment and configuration options

You can deploy and configure an APIcast gateway self-managed solution using two approaches:

- Providing a 3scale API Management system endpoint
- Providing a configuration secret

See also:

- Injecting custom environments with the APIcast operator
- Injecting custom policies with the APIcast operator
- Configuring OpenTracing with the APIcast operator
- Setting the APICAST_SERVICE_CACHE_SIZE

3.5.1.1. Providing a 3scale API Management system endpoint

Procedure

1. Create an OpenShift secret that contains 3scale System Admin Portal endpoint information:

\$ oc create secret generic \${SOME_SECRET_NAME} --fromliteral=AdminPortalURL=\${MY_3SCALE_URL}

- **\${SOME_SECRET_NAME}** is the name of the secret and can be any name you want as long as it does not conflict with an existing secret.
- \${MY_3SCALE_URL} is the URI that includes your 3scale access token and 3scale System portal endpoint. For more details, see THREESCALE_PORTAL_ENDPOINT

Example

\$ oc create secret generic 3scaleportal --from-literal=AdminPortalURL=https://accesstoken@account-admin.3scale.net

For more information about the contents of the secret see the Admin portal configuration secret reference.

2. Create the OpenShift object for APIcast

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIcast
metadata:
name: example-apicast
spec:
adminPortalCredentialsRef:
name: SOME_SECRET_NAME
```

The **spec.adminPortalCredentialsRef.name** must be the name of the existing OpenShift secret that contains the 3scale system Admin Portal endpoint information.

3. Verify the APIcast pod is running and ready, by confirming that the **readyReplicas** field of the OpenShift Deployment associated with the APIcast object is *1*. Alternatively, wait until the field is set with:

\$ echo \$(oc get deployment apicast-example-apicast -o jsonpath='{.status.readyReplicas}')
1

3.5.1.1.1. Verifying the APIcast gateway is running and available

Procedure

1. Ensure the OpenShift Service APIcast is exposed to your local machine, and perform a test request. Do this by port-forwarding the APIcast OpenShift Service to **localhost:8080**:



\$ oc port-forward svc/apicast-example-apicast 8080

 Make a request to a configured 3scale service to verify a successful HTTP response. Use the domain name configured in Staging Public Base URL or Production Public Base URL settings of your service. For example: \$ curl 127.0.0.1:8080/test -H "Host: localhost" "method": "GET", "path": "/test", "args": "". "body": "", "headers": { "HTTP_VERSION": "HTTP/1.1", "HTTP HOST": "echo-api.3scale.net", "HTTP ACCEPT": "*/*", "HTTP_USER_AGENT": "curl/7.65.3", "HTTP X REAL IP": "127.0.0.1", "HTTP_X_FORWARDED_FOR": ... "HTTP X FORWARDED HOST": "echo-api.3scale.net", "HTTP X FORWARDED PORT": "80", "HTTP X FORWARDED PROTO": "http", "HTTP_FORWARDED": "for=10.0.101.216;host=echo-api.3scale.net;proto=http" }, "uuid": "603ba118-8f2e-4991-98c0-a9edd061f0f0"

3.5.1.1.2. Exposing APIcast externally via a Kubernetes Ingress

To expose APIcast externally via a Kubernetes Ingress, set and configure the **exposedHost** section. When the **host** field in the **exposedHost** section is set, this creates a Kubernetes Ingress object. The Kubernetes Ingress object can then be used by a previously installed and existing Kubernetes Ingress Controller to make APIcast accessible externally.

To learn what Ingress Controllers are available to make APIcast externally accessible and how they are configured see the Kubernetes Ingress Controllers documentation.

The following example to expose APIcast with the hostname **myhostname.com**:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIcast
metadata:
name: example-apicast
spec:
...
exposedHost:
host: "myhostname.com"
...
```

The example creates a Kubernetes Ingress object on the port 80 using HTTP. When the APIcast deployment is in an OpenShift environment, the OpenShift default Ingress Controller will create a Route object using the Ingress object APIcast creates which allows external access to the APIcast installation.

You may also configure TLS for the **exposedHost** section. Details about the available fields in the following table:

Table 3.3. APIcastExposedHost reference table

json/yaml field Type	Required	Default value	Description
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json/yaml field	Туре	Required	Default value	Description
host	string	Yes	N/A	Domain name being routed to the gateway
tls	[]networkv1.Ingress TLS	No	N/A	Array of ingress TLS objects. See more on TLS.

3.5.1.2. Providing a configuration secret

Procedure

1. Create a secret with the configuration file:

\$ curl

https://raw.githubusercontent.com/3scale/APIcast/master/examples/configuration/echo.json - o \$PWD/config.json

\$ oc create secret generic apicast-echo-api-conf-secret --from-file=\$PWD/config.json

The configuration file must be called **config.json**. This is an APIcast CRD reference requirement.

For more information about the contents of the secret see the Admin portal configuration secret reference.

2. Create an APIcast custom resource:

\$ cat my-echo-apicast.yaml
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIcast
metadata:
name: my-echo-apicast
spec:
exposedHost:
host: YOUR DOMAIN
embeddedConfigurationSecretRef:
name: apicast-echo-api-conf-secret
0

\$ oc apply -f my-echo-apicast.yaml

a. The following is an example of an embedded configuration secret:

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata: name: SOME_SECRET_NAME type: Opaque

```
stringData:
 config.json: |
  {
    "services": [
     ł
       "proxy": {
         "policy chain": [
         { "name": "apicast.policy.upstream",
           "configuration": {
            "rules": [{
              "regex": "/",
              "url": "http://echo-api.3scale.net"
            }]
           }
         }
        1
```

3. Set the following content when creating the APIcast object:

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIcast
metadata:
name: example-apicast
spec:
embeddedConfigurationSecretRef:
name: SOME_SECRET_NAME
```

The **spec.embeddedConfigurationSecretRef.name** must be the name of the existing OpenShift secret that contains the configuration of the gateway.

4. Verify the APIcast pod is running and ready, by confirming that the **readyReplicas** field of the OpenShift Deployment associated with the APIcast object is *1*. Alternatively, wait until the field is set with:

\$ echo \$(oc get deployment apicast-example-apicast -o jsonpath='{.status.readyReplicas}')
1

3.5.1.2.1. Verifying APIcast gateway is running and available

Procedure

1. Ensure the OpenShift Service APIcast is exposed to your local machine, and perform a test request. Do this by port-forwarding the APIcast OpenShift Service to **localhost:8080**:

\$ oc port-forward svc/apicast-example-apicast 8080

a. Next: Make a request to a configured 3scale service and verify a successful HTTP response .

3.5.1.3. Injecting custom environments with the APIcast operator

In a 3scale installation that uses self-managed APIcast, you can use the **APIcast** operator to inject custom environments. A custom environment defines behavior that APIcast applies to all upstream APIs that the gateway serves. To create a custom environment, define a global configuration in Lua code.

You can inject a custom environment as part of or after APIcast installation. After injecting a custom environment, you can remove it and the **APIcast** operator reconciles the changes.

Prerequisites

• The APIcast operator is installed.

Procedure

 Write Lua code that defines the custom environment that you want to inject. For example, the following env1.lua file shows a custom logging policy that the APIcast operator loads for all services.

```
local cjson = require('cjson')
local PolicyChain = require('apicast.policy_chain')
local policy_chain = context.policy_chain
local logging_policy_config = cjson.decode([[
{
    "enable_access_logs": false,
    "custom_logging": "\"{{request}}\" to service {{service.id}} and {{service.name}}"
  }
]])
policy_chain:insert( PolicyChain.load_policy('logging', 'builtin', logging_policy_config), 1)
return {
    policy_chain = policy_chain,
    port = { metrics = 9421 },
}
```

2. Create a secret from the Lua file that defines the custom environment. For example:

\$ oc create secret generic custom-env-1 --from-file=./env1.lua

A secret can contain multiple custom environments. Specify the **-from-file** option for each file that defines a custom environment. The operator loads each custom environment.

3. Define an **APIcast** custom resource that references the secret you just created. The following example shows only content relative to referencing the secret that defines the custom environment.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIcast
metadata:
name: apicast1
spec:
customEnvironments:
- secretRef:
name: custom-env-1
```

An **APIcast** custom resource can reference multiple secrets that define custom environments. The operator loads each custom environment.

- 4. Create the **APIcast** custom resource that adds the custom environment. For example, if you saved the **APIcast** custom resource in the **apicast.yamI** file, run the following command:
 - \$ oc apply -f apicast.yaml

Next steps

If you update your custom environment be sure to re-create its secret so the secret contains the update. The **APIcast** operator watches for updates and automatically redeploys when it finds an update.

3.5.1.4. Injecting custom policies with the APIcast operator

In a 3scale installation that uses self-managed APIcast, you can use the **APIcast** operator to inject custom policies. Injecting a custom policy adds the policy code to APIcast. You can then use either of the following to add the custom policy to an API product's policy chain:

- 3scale API
- Product custom resource

To use the 3scale Admin Portal to add the custom policy to a product's policy chain, you must also register the custom policy's schema with a **CustomPolicyDefinition** custom resource. Custom policy registration is a requirement only when you want to use the Admin Portal to configure a product's policy chain.

You can inject a custom policy as part of or after APIcast installation. After injecting a custom policy, you can remove it and the **APIcast** operator reconciles the changes.

Prerequisites

- The APIcast operator is installed or you are in the process of installing it.
- You have defined a custom policy as described in Write your own policy. That is, you have already created, for example, the **my-first-custom-policy.lua**, **apicast-policy.json**, and **init.lua** files that define a custom policy,

Procedure

- 1. Create a secret from the files that define one custom policy. For example:
 - \$ oc create secret generic my-first-custom-policy-secret \
 --from-file=./apicast-policy.json \
 --from-file=./init.lua \
 --from-file=./my-first-custom-policy.lua

If you have more than one custom policy, create a secret for each custom policy. A secret can contain only one custom policy.

2. Define an **APIcast** custom resource that references the secret you just created. The following example shows only content relative to referencing the secret that defines the custom policy.

apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1

kind: APIcast metadata: name: apicast1 spec: customPolicies: - name: my-first-custom-policy version: "0.1" secretRef: name: my-first-custom-policy-secret

An **APIcast** custom resource can reference multiple secrets that define custom policies. The operator loads each custom policy.

3. Create the **APIcast** custom resource that adds the custom policy. For example, if you saved the **APIcast** custom resource in the **apicast.yamI** file, run the following command:



\$ oc apply -f apicast.yaml

Next steps

If you update your custom policy be sure to re-create its secret so the secret contains the update. The **APIcast** operator watches for updates and automatically redeploys when it finds an update.

Additional resources

• APIcast custom resource definition

3.5.1.5. Configuring OpenTracing with the APIcast operator

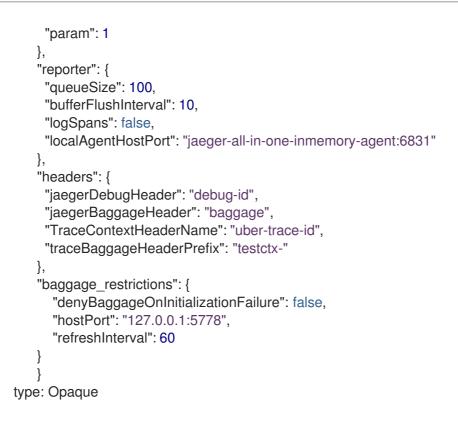
In a 3scale installation that uses self-managed APIcast, you can use the **APIcast** operator to configure OpenTracing. By enabling OpenTracing, you get more insight and better observability on the APIcast instance.

Prerequisites

• The **APIcast** operator is installed or you are in the process of installing it.

Procedure

Define a secret that contains your OpenTracing configuration details in stringData.config. This
is the only valid value for the attribute that contains your OpenTracing configuration details. Any
other specification prevents APIcast from receiving your OpenTracing configuration details. The
folowing example shows a valid secret definition:



2. Create the secret. For example, if you saved the previous secret definition in the **myjaeger.yaml** file, you would run the following command:

\$ oc create -f myjaeger.yaml

3. Define an **APIcast** custom resource that specifies the **OpenTracing** attributes. In the CR definition, set the **spec.tracingConfigSecretRef.name** attribute to the name of the secret that contains your OpenTracing configuration details. The following example shows only content relative to configuring OpenTracing.

```
apiVersion: apps.3scale.net/v1alpha1
kind: APIcast
metadata:
name: apicast1
spec:
...
openTracing:
enabled: true
tracingConfigSecretRef:
name: myjaeger
tracingLibrary: jaeger
...
```

4. Create the **APIcast** custom resource that configures OpenTracing. For example, if you saved the **APIcast** custom resource in the **apicast1.yamI** file, you would run the following command:

\$ oc apply -f apicast1.yaml

Next steps

Depending on how OpenTracing is installed, you should see the traces in the Jaeger service user interface.

Additional resource

• APIcast custom resource definition

3.5.1.6. Setting the APICAST_SERVICE_CACHE_SIZE environment variable

You can specify the number of services that APIcast stores in the internal cache by adding an optional field in the APIcast custom resource (CR).

Prerequisites

• You have installed the APIcast operator, or you are in the process of installing it.

Procedure

• Add the **serviceCacheSize** optional field in the **spec**:

```
spec:
// ...
serviceCacheSize: 42
```

Verification

1. Type the following command to check the deployment:



\$ oc get deployment/apicast-example-apicast -o yaml

2. Verify inclusion of the environment variable:

```
# ...
- name: APICAST_SERVICE_CACHE_SIZE
  value: '42'
# ...
```

Additional resource

• APIcast custom resource definition

3.6. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

To get information about the latest released and supported version of APIcast, see the articles:

- Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations
- Red Hat 3scale API Management Component Details .

CHAPTER 4. EXTERNAL REDIS DATABASE CONFIGURATION FOR HIGH AVAILABILITY SUPPORT IN 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT



IMPORTANT

Red Hat supports 3scale configurations that use an external Redis database. However, does not officially support setting up Redis for zero downtime, configuring back-end components for 3scale, or Redis database replication and sharding. The content is for reference only. Additionally, Redis **cluster mode** is not supported in 3scale.

High availability (HA) is provided for most components by the OpenShift Container Platform (OCP).



NOTE

When you externalize databases from a Red Hat 3scale API Management deployment, this means to provide isolation from the application and resilience against service disruptions at the database level. The resilience to service disruptions depends on the service level agreements (SLAs) provided by the infrastructure or platform provider where you host the databases. This is not offered by 3scale. For more details on externalizing of databases offered by your chosen deployment, see the associated documentation.

The database components for HA in Red Hat 3scale API Management include:

- **backend-redis**: used for statistics storage and temporary job storage.
- **system-redis**: provides temporary storage for background jobs for 3scale and is also used as a message bus for *Ruby* processes of **system-app** pods.

Both **backend-redis** and **system-redis** work with supported Redis high availability variants for Redis Sentinel and Redis Enterprise.

If the Redis pod comes to a stop, or if the OpenShift Container Platform stops it, a new pod is automatically created. Persistent storage will restore the data so the pod continues to work. In these scenarios, there will be a small amount of downtime while the new pod starts. This is due to a limitation in Redis that does not support a multi-master setup. You can reduce downtime by preinstalling the Redis images onto all nodes that have Redis deployed to them. This will speed up the pod restart time.

Set up Redis for zero downtime and configure back-end components for 3scale:

- Setting up Redis for zero downtime
- Configuring back-end components for 3scale API Management
- Redis database sharding and replication

Prerequisites

• A 3scale account with an administrator role.

4.1. SETTING UP REDIS FOR ZERO DOWNTIME

As a 3scale administrator, configure Redis outside of OCP if you require zero downtime. There are several ways to set it up using the configuration options of 3scale pods:

- Set up your own self-managed Redis
- Use Redis Sentinel: Reference Redis Sentinel Documentation
- Redis provided as a service: For example by:
 - Amazon ElastiCache
 - Redis Labs



NOTE

Red Hat does not provide support for the above mentioned services. The mention of any such services does not imply endorsement by Red Hat of the products or services. You agree that Red Hat is not responsible or liable for any loss or expenses that may result due to your use of (or reliance on) any external content.

4.2. CONFIGURING BACK-END COMPONENTS FOR 3SCALE API MANAGEMENT

As a 3scale administrator, configure Redis HA (failover) for the **back-end** component environment variables in the following deployment configurations: **backend-cron**, **backend-listener**, and **backend-worker**. These configurations are necessary for Redis HA in 3scale.



NOTE

If you want to use Redis with sentinels, you must provide sentinel configuration in either **backend-redis**, **system-redis**, or both secrets.

4.2.1. Creating backend-redis and system-redis secrets

Follow these steps to create **backend-redis** and **system-redis** secrets accordingly:

- Deploying a fresh installation of 3scale API Management for HA
- Migrating a non-HA deployment of 3scale API Management to HA

4.2.2. Deploying a fresh installation of 3scale API Management for HA

Procedure

1. Create the **backend-redis** and **system-redis** secrets with the fields below:

backend-redis

REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_HOSTS REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_ROLE REDIS_QUEUES_URL REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_HOSTS REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_ROLE REDIS_STORAGE_URL

system-redis

NAMESPACE SENTINEL_HOSTS SENTINEL_ROLE URL

 When configuring for Redis with sentinels, the corresponding URL fields in backend-redis and system-redis refer to the Redis group in the format redis://[:redis-password@]redisgroup[/db], where [x] denotes optional element x and redis-password, redis-group, and db are variables to be replaced accordingly:

Example

redis://:redispwd@mymaster/5

• The **SENTINEL_HOSTS** fields are comma-separated lists of sentinel connection strings in the following format:

redis://:sentinel-password@sentinel-hostname-or-ip:port

• For each element of the list, [x] denotes optional element x and **sentinel-password**, **sentinel-hostname-or-ip**, and **port** are variables to be replaced accordingly:

Example

:sentinelpwd@123.45.67.009:2711,:sentinelpwd@other-sentinel:2722

- The SENTINEL_ROLE fields are either master or slave.
- 2. Deploy 3scale as indicated in Deploying 3scale API Management using the operator.
 - a. Ignore the errors due to **backend-redis** and **system-redis** already present.

4.2.3. Migrating a non-HA deployment of 3scale API Management to HA

- 1. Edit the **backend-redis** and **system-redis** secrets with all fields as shown in Deploying a fresh installation of 3scale API Management for HA.
- 2. Make sure the following **backend-redis** environment variables are defined for the back-end pods.

name: BACKEND_REDIS_SENTINEL_HOSTS valueFrom: secretKeyRef: key: REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_HOSTS name: backend-redis name: BACKEND_REDIS_SENTINEL_ROLE valueFrom: secretKeyRef: key: REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_ROLE name: backend-redis

3. Make sure the following **system-redis** environment variables are defined for the **system-**(app|sidekiq) pods.

name: REDIS_SENTINEL_HOSTS valueFrom: secretKeyRef: key: SENTINEL_HOSTS name: system-redis name: REDIS_SENTINEL_ROLE valueFrom: secretKeyRef: key: SENTINEL_ROLE name: system-redis

4. Proceed with instructions to continue Upgrading 3scale using templates.

4.2.3.1. Using Redis Enterprise

- 1. Use Redis Enterprise deployed in OpenShift, with three different redis-enterprise instances:
 - a. Edit system-redis secret:
 - i. Set the system redis database in **system-redis** to **URL**.
 - b. Set the back-end database in **backend-redis** to **REDIS_QUEUES_URL**.
 - c. Set the third database to **REDIS_STORAGE_URL** for **backend-redis**.

4.2.3.2. Using Redis Sentinel



NOTE

You can optionally apply Redis Sentinels to any of the databases. However, Red Hat recommends that you apply Redis Sentinels to all of them for HA.

- 1. Backend redis for statistics: update **backend-redis** secret and provide values for:
 - REDIS_STORAGE_URL
 - REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_ROLE
 - REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_HOSTS Set REDIS_STORAGE_SENTINEL_ROLE to a comma-separated list of sentinels hosts and ports, for example: :sentinelpwd@123.45.67.009:2711,:sentinelpwd@othersentinel:2722
- 2. Backend redis for queue: update **backend-redis** secret and provide values for:
 - REDIS_QUEUES_URL
 - REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_ROLE

- REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_HOSTS
 Set REDIS_QUEUES_SENTINEL_ROLE to a comma-separated list of sentinels hosts and
 ports, for example: :sentinelpwd@123.45.67.009:2711,:sentinelpwd@other sentinel:2722
- 3. Use Redis Sentinel, with these Redis databases:
- 4. System redis for data: update **system-redis** secret and provide values for:



NOTE

Edit system-redis secret: URL

- SENTINEL_ROLE
- NAMESPACE
- URL
- SENTINEL_HOSTS Set SENTINEL_HOSTS to a comma-separated list of sentinels hosts and ports, for example: :sentinelpwd@123.45.67.009:2711,:sentinelpwd@other-sentinel:2722

Notes

- The *system-app* and *system-sidekiq* components connect directly to **back-end** Redis for retrieving statistics.
 - As of 3scale 2.7, these system components can also connect to **back-end** Redis (storage) when using sentinels.
- The system-app and system-sidekiq components uses only backend-redis storage, not backend-redis queues.
 - Changes made to the system components support **backend-redis** storage with sentinels.

4.3. REDIS DATABASE SHARDING AND REPLICATION

Sharding, sometimes referred to as partitioning, separates large databases in to smaller databases called shards. With replication, your database is set up with copies of the same dataset hosted on separate machines.

Sharding

Sharding facilitates adding more leader instances, which is also useful when you have so much data that it does not fit in a single database, or when the CPU load is close to 100%.

With Redis HA for 3scale, the following two reasons are why sharding is important:

- Spliting and scaling large volumes of data and adjusting the number of shards for a particular index to help avoid bottlenecks.
- Distributing operations across different node, therefore increasing performance, for example, when multiple machines are working on the same query.

The three main solutions for Redis database sharding with cluster mode disabled are:

- Amazon ElastiCache
- Standard Redis via Redis sentinels
- Redis Enterprise

Replication

Redis database replication ensures redundancy by having your dataset replicated across different machines. Using replication allows you to keep Redis working when the leader goes down. Data is then pulled from a single instance, the leader, ensuring high availability.

With Redis HA for 3scale, database replication ensures high availability replicas of a primary shard. The principles of operation involve:

- When the primary shard fails, the replica shard will automatically be promoted to the new primary shard.
- Upon recovery of the original primary shard, it automatically becomes the replica shard of the new primary shard.

The three main solutions for Redis database replication are:

- Redis Enterprise
- Amazon ElastiCache
- Standard Redis via Redis sentinels

Sharding with twemproxy

For Amazon ElastiCache and Standard Redis, sharding involves splitting data up based on keys. You need a proxy component that given a particular key knows which shard to find, for example **twemproxy**. Also known as nutcracker, **twemproxy** is a lightweight proxy solution for Redis protocols that finds shards based on specific keys or server maps assigned to them. Adding sharding capabilities to your Amazon ElastiCache or Standard Redis instance with **twemproxy**, has the following advantages:

- The capability of sharding data automatically across multiple servers.
- Support of multiple hashing modes and consistent hashing and distribution.
- The capability to run in multiple instances, which allows clients to connect to the first available proxy server.
- Reduce the number of connections to the caching servers on the backend.



NOTE

Redis Enterprise uses its own proxy, so it does not need **twemproxy**.

Additional resources

- Redis Sentinel Documentation.
- twemproxy.

4.4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- For more information about 3scale and Redis database support, see Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations.
- For more information about Amazon ElastiCache for Redis, see the official Amazon ElastiCache Documentation.
- For more information about Redis Enterprise, see the latest Documentation.

CHAPTER 5. CONFIGURING AN EXTERNAL MYSQL DATABASE



IMPORTANT

When you externalize databases from a Red Hat 3scale API Management deployment, this means to provide isolation from the application and resilience against service disruptions at the database level. The resilience to service disruptions depends on the service level agreements (SLAs) provided by the infrastructure or platform provider where you host the databases. This is not offered by 3scale. For more details on externalizing of databases offered by your chosen deployment, see the associated documentation.

Red Hat supports 3scale configurations that use an external MySQL database. However, the database itself is not within the scope of support.

This guide provides information for externalizing the MySQL database. This is useful where there are several infrastructure issues, such as network or filesystem, using the default **system-mysql** pod.

Prerequisites

- Access to an OpenShift Container Platform 4.x cluster using an account with administrator privileges.
- A 3scale instance installation on the OpenShift cluster. See Installing 3scale API Management on OpenShift.

To configure an external MySQL database, perform the steps outlined in the following sections:

- Section 5.1, "External MySQL database limitations"
- Section 5.2, "Externalizing the MySQL database"
- Section 5.3, "Rolling back"

5.1. EXTERNAL MYSQL DATABASE LIMITATIONS

There are limitations with the process of externalizing your MySQL database:

3scale On-premises versions

It has only been tested and verified on the 2.5 On-premises and 2.6 On-premises versions from 3scale.

MySQL database user

The URL must be in the following format:

<database_scheme>://<admin_user>:<admin_password>@<database_host>/<database_name>

An **<admin_user>** must be an existing user in the external database with full permissions on the **<database_name>** logical database. The **<database_name>** must be an already existing logical database in the external database.

MySQL host

Use the *IP address* from the external MySQL database instead of the *hostname* or it will not resolve. For example, use *1.1.1* instead of *mysql.mydomain.com*.

5.2. EXTERNALIZING THE MYSQL DATABASE

Use the following steps to fully externalize the MySQL database.



WARNING

This will cause downtime in the environment while the process is ongoing.

Procedure

1. Login to the OpenShift node where your 3scale On-premises instance is hosted and change to its project:

\$ oc login -u <user> <url> \$ oc project <3scale-project>

Replace <user>, <url>, and <3scale-project> with your own credentials and the project name.

2. Follow the steps below in the order shown to scale down all the pods. This will avoid loss of data.

Stop 3scale On-premises

From the OpenShift web console or from the command line interface (CLI), scale down all the deployment configurations to zero replicas in the following order:

- **apicast-wildcard-router** and **zync** for versions before 3scale 2.6 or **zync-que** and **zync** for 3scale 2.6 and above.
- apicast-staging and apicast-production.
- system-sidekiq, backend-cron, and system-searchd.
 - 3scale 2.3 includes **system-resque**.
- system-app.
- backend-listener and backend-worker.
- backend-redis, system-memcache, system-mysql, system-redis, and zync-database. The following example shows how to perform this in the CLI for **apicast-wildcard-router** and **zync**:

\$ oc scale dc/apicast-wildcard-router --replicas=0



NOTE

The deployment configuration for each step can be scaled down at the same time. For example, you could scale down **apicast-wildcard-router** and **zync** together. However, it is better to wait for the pods from each step to terminate before scaling down the ones that follow. The 3scale instance will be completely inaccessible until it is fully started again.

3. To confirm that no pods are running on the 3scale project use the following command:

\$ oc get pods -n <3scale_namespace>

The command should return No resources found.

4. Scale up the database level pods again using the following command:

\$ oc scale dc/{backend-redis,system-memcache,system-mysql,system-redis,zync-database}
--replicas=1

5. Ensure that you are able to login to the external MySQL database through the **system-mysql** pod before proceeding with the next steps:

\$ oc rsh system-mysql-<system_mysql_pod_id>
mysql -u root -p -h <host>

- *<system_mysql_pod_id>*: The identifier of the system-mysql pod.
- The user should always be root. For more information see External MySQL database limitations.
 - a. The CLI will now display **mysql>**. Type *exit*, then press *return*. Type *exit* again at the next prompt to go back to the OpenShift node console.
- 6. Perform a full MySQL dump using the following command:

\$ oc rsh system-mysql-<system_mysql_pod_id> /bin/bash -c "mysqldump -u root --singletransaction --routines --triggers --all-databases" > system-mysql-dump.sql

- Replace <system_mysql_pod_id> with your unique **system-mysql** pod ID .
- Validate that the file **system-mysql-dump.sql** contains a valid MySQL level dump as in the following example:

\$ head -n 10 system-mysql-dump.sql -- MySQL dump 10.13 Distrib 8.0, for Linux (x86_64) ---- Host: localhost Database: -- Server version 8.0

/*!40101 SET @OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@@CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */; /*!40101 SET @OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@@CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */; /*!40101 SET @OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION=@@COLLATION_CONNECTION */; /*!40101 SET NAMES utf8 */;

7. Scale down the **system-mysql** pod and leave it with 0 (zero) replicas:

\$ oc scale dc/system-mysql --replicas=0

8. Find the *base64* equivalent of the URL **mysql2:**//**root:<password>@<host>/system**, replacing *<password>* and *<host>* accordingly:

\$ echo "mysql2://root:<password>@<host>/system" | base64

9. Create a default 'user'@'%' on the remote MySQL database. It only needs to have SELECT privileges. Also find its base64 equivalents:

\$ echo "user" | base64 \$ echo "<password>" | base64

- Replace <password> with the password for 'user'@'%'.
- 10. Perform a backup and edit the OpenShift secret system-database:

\$ oc get secret system-database -o yaml > system-database-orig.bkp.yml
\$ oc edit secret system-database

- URL: Replace it with the value from [step-8].
- DB_USER and DB_PASSWORD: Use the values from the previous step for both.
- 11. Send **system-mysql-dump.sql** to the remote database server and import the dump into it. Use the command to import it:
- 12. Use the command below to send **system-mysql-dump.sql** to the remote database server and import the dump into the server:

mysql -u root -p < system-mysql-dump.sql

13. Ensure that a new database called system was created:

mysql -u root -p -se "SHOW DATABASES"

14. Use the following instructions to *Start 3scale On-premises*, which scales up all the pods in the correct order.

Start 3scale On-premises

- backend-redis, system-memcache, system-mysql, system-redis, and zync-database.
- backend-listener and backend-worker.
- system-app.
- system-sidekiq, backend-cron, and system-searchd

- 3scale 2.3 includes **system-resque**.
- apicast-staging and apicast-production.
- **apicast-wildcard-router** and **zync** for versions before 3scale 2.6 or **zync-que** and **zync** for 3scale 2.6 and above.

The following example shows how to perform this in the CLI for **backend-redis**, **system-memcache**, **system-mysqI**, **system-redis**, and **zync-database**:

\$ oc scale dc/backend-redis --replicas=1

- \$ oc scale dc/system-memcache --replicas=1
- \$ oc scale dc/system-mysql --replicas=1
- \$ oc scale dc/system-redis --replicas=1
- \$ oc scale dc/zync-database --replicas=1

The **system-app** pod should now be up and running without any issues.

- 15. After validation, scale back up the other pods in the order shown.
- 16. Backup the **system-mysql** *DeploymentConfig* object. You may delete after a few days once you are sure everything is running properly. Deleting **system-mysql** *DeploymentConfig* avoids any future confusion if this procedure is done again in the future.

5.3. ROLLING BACK

Perform a rollback procedure if the **system-app** pod is not fully back online and the root cause for it could not be determined or addressed after following step 14.

1. Edit the secret **system-database** using the original values from **system-database orig.bkp.yml**. See [step-10]:

\$ oc edit secret system-database

Replace URL, DB_USER, and DB_PASSWORD with their original values.

2. Scale down all the pods and then scale them back up again, including **system-mysql**. The **system-app** pod and the other pods to be started after it should be up and running again. Run the following command to confirm all pods are back up and running:

\$ oc get pods -n <3scale-project>

5.4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

• For more information about 3scale and MySQL database support, see Red Hat 3scale API Management Supported Configurations.