Intro + Deep Dive: SIG Windows

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History

Alpha Release
Kubelet and kube-proxy running on windows. Show the art of the possible despite limitations.

Dec 2016
v1.5

Beta Release
Tremendous updates in functionality and CNI support.

Dec 2017
v1.9

March 2019
v1.14

March 2019
v1.14

Stable Release
Support for adding Windows Server 2019 nodes to Kubernetes.

Jun 2019
v1.15

Refinements
Usability and quality improvements.
Updates

1.14 stable release of Windows node

• Windows Server 2019 support
• Significant advancements in code quality
• Validation of end user scenarios
• Alpha release of gMSA
• Test Automation
• Extensive end-user documentation

1.15 bug fixes and api updates for GMSA
Networking Update

• Networking topologies available
  • Overlay
    • Requires Windows Server 2019 with KB4489899
    • Win-overlay plugin available
    • Flannel vxlan support in alpha
  • Underlay - L2Bridge, L2Tunnel
    • win-bridge plugin available
    • Flannel host-gw support
  • Transparent – vSwitch extension
    • ovn-kubernetes

• Network Policy
  • Calico
  • OVN
Things to Consider

Read the documentation!

Where the container runs
- Need a Windows Server node = Use NodeSelector

If you’re adding Windows and don’t already have nodeSelector on Linux deployments
- Option 1 (preferred): Add a taint to Windows nodes, toleration to Windows deployments
- Option 2: Update your Helm Charts and YAML files

Resource Consumption
- Need higher limits (300Mb min) - need Windows background services per container

Kernel/User compatibility
- Windows kernel major version should match (for now) – use versioned tags, not latest!
- Build on Windows Server 2019 = must run on Windows Server 2019
- Hyper-V isolation [alpha] can run older containers on a newer node
Windows node is now being tested in test grid across Azure, GCP and vSphere

- Conformance tests (excluding LinuxOnly)
- Windows specific tests
- Testing 1.14.x and 1.15.x
- Ongoing dot release testing
Turnkey Solutions Available

- Amazon EKS
- Docker Enterprise
- Google GKE
- Huawei Cloud (CCE)
- Microsoft AKS
- Rancher
- RedHat OpenShift
- VMware/Pivotal Enterprise PKS
Future Plans
1.16 Plans

1. CRI-ContainerD (sig-node collaboration)
2. Kubeadm support (sig-cluster-lifecycle collaboration)
3. Continuing advancements in gMSA and Windows workload identity (sig-node/sig-api/sig-auth collaboration)
   • RunAsUserName enhancement
4. More CNIs and Storage plugins
CRI-ContainerD

• Aligned with Kubernetes goals and current Windows development
  • Improve compatibility: enable fixes to single file mapping
  • Be ready for dockershim deprecation when it happens
• Reduced footprint and installation
• Hyper-V isolation support
  • Future: Additional storage support
  • Future: Memory and CPU resource control

• **KEP** outlines plan over multiple releases & work spans multiple projects
  • Kubernetes
  • ContainerD
  • CNI plugins
How to Contribute

End User
- GitHub
- Document/Blog
- Community Meetings

Contributor
- 1st Commit
- Fix Bugs
- Member
- Community Meetings

Tech Lead
- Commits
- Reviews
- Release Plans
- Presentations
- Cross Group Collaboration
Getting Started

Join our weekly meetings at 12.30pm Eastern

View recorded community meetings

Find bugs you can fix in our project board

Help us write additional documentation and user stories
How to find us

- https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/kubernetes-sig-windwos
- #sig-windows @m2 @patricklang
- https://github.com/kubernetes/community/tree/master/sig-windows
- https://zoom.us/j/297282383
- https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL69nYSiGNLP2OH9lnCcnkWNu2bl-gmlU4
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