

When TiDB meets Kubernetes

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Agenda

- The problem we meet
- Brief introduction of Kubernetes / TiDB
- Operator saves the day
- Live without PersistentVolume
- The future







Cloud is the future. But database maintenance still sucks.







Instance Specifications

DB Engine	postgres	
License Model	postgresql-license	\$
DB Engine Version	PostgreSQL 9.3.14-R1	\$
DB Instance Class	db.r3.xlarge — 4 vCPU, 30.5 (Gib R/ \$
Multi-AZ Deployment	Yes	\$
Storage Type	General Purpose (SSD)	\$

Allocated Storage* 50 EGB

Provisioning less than 100 GB of General Purpose (SSD) storage for high throughput workloads could result in higher latencies upon exhaustion of the initial General Purpose (SSD) IO credit balance. **Click here** for more details.

Settings

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DB Instance Identifier*	production	
Master Username*	root	
Master Password*		(a)
Confirm Password*		9

* Required

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Details:db.r3.xlarge

TypeMemory
Optimized
- Current
GenerationvCPU4 vCPUMemory30.5 GiBEBS Optimized500 MbpsNetwork PerformanceModerateFree Tier EligibleNo







We were told everything would be scalable, easily. But operating it makes it even harder.









...A P2P distributed system



Operating a single-node system







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Services & Components

Unstable network infrastructure

















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A brief introduction of Kubernetes

- Container-centric cluster management
- Service orchestrator
- Optimize use of hardware by using only the resources you need
- Auto deployment / Auto scaling / Auto healing









A brief introduction of TiDB

- SQL is necessary
- **Transparent sharding and data movement**
- 100% OLTP + 80% OLAP
 - Transaction + Complex query 0
- Compatible with MySQL, at most cases
- 24/7 availability, even in case of datacenter outages
 - Thanks to Raft consensus algorithm 0
- Open source, of course.



TiDB A Distributed SQL Database







A brief introduction of TiDB









The problem

It's easy for stateless applications, but how about stateful?

- Databases: MySQL / PG / TiDB
- Coordination: Etcd / ZooKeeper
- Streaming: Kafka
- Big data: Hadoop / Ceph / GlusterFS
- Search: ElasticSearch
- 0
- Or even kubernetes itself.







What is the hard part?

Domain knowledge of the distributed system.







For example, if you want to operate a redis cluster well, you must be a redis expert.







Operator saves the day

An **Operator** is software that encodes domain knowledge and **extends** the Kubernetes API through the **third party resources** mechanism, enabling users to create, configure, and manage applications.

--- CoreOS





An Operator represents human operational knowledge in software, to reliably manage an application.

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'Self-driving' mode











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TiDB-Operator



- Create
- Rolling update
- Scale out
- Failover
- Backup/Restore







TiDB-Operator











The hardest part: Local storage resource

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	#44897)			from this thread.
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	StorageClass changes			4 participants

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TPUB

Chill out, bro...

Try to create a TPR to manage local storage resources







Under the hood

1. Create a ConfigMap: tidb-storage

nodes:

- name: "172.17.4.101" directories:
 - "/tikv-storage-dir-1"
 - "/tikv-storage-dir-2"
- name: "172.17.4.102" directories:
 - "/tikv-storage-dir-3"
 - "/tikv-storage-dir-4"







Under the hood

2. Create a TPR: tidb-volume.pingcap.com/v1, Like:

name: "172-14-4-101-tikv-dir1" state: "binded" podName: "tikv-1"

3. Create a controller: volume-controller, notify configuration change of tidb-storage, generate tidb-volume resources







Under the hood

4. Add storage attribute to tidb-operator, so that tidb-operator would assign local storage resource to specific tikv instance

storage:

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- "172.17.4.101:/tikv-storage-dir-1"
- "172.17.4.102:/tikv-storage-dir-2"
- "172.17.4.103:/tikv-storage-dir-4"

5. Add a DaemonSet: tidb-storage-ds, maintain the lifetime of hostPath, when a tikv instance is offline, tidb-storage-ds would reclaim the storage resource.







Open source....coming soon

pingcap / tidb-operator Private

TiDB-Operator

Tutorial

Create TiDB-Operator

\$ kubectl create -f example/tidb-operator.yaml

\$ kubectl get po NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE tidb-operator-1774570901-9vp2n 1/1 Running 0 3s tidb-operator-139385347-k8lcp 1/1 Running 0 3s

\$ kubectl get thirdpartyresource NAME DESCRIPTION VERSION(S) tidb-cluster.pingcap.com Managed tidb clusters v1

Create a test cluster

\$ kubectl create -f example/test-cluster.yaml

<pre>\$ kubectl get po</pre>				
NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
test-cluster-pd-0000	2/2	Running	0	2m







The future

- 'Self-driving mode' for everything
 - Circuit breaker and MT is still important, as lifesaver.
- DB as a Service / Serverless
- Local storage isn't necessary, maybe
 - Or another way, in-storage computing
 - Or maybe, both







Wrap it up

- Distributed system operation matters
- Kubernetes is the OS for the datacenter, but on the storage side, things become complicated
- Operator builds the bridge between domain knowledge and kubernetes, it's kindof batch script for DCOS.
- TiDB-operator provides the ability to set up/manage large cluster
 - We solve the local storage problem, little hacky, but it works









