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## CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1. WHAT IS RED HAT JBOSS ENTERPRISE APPLICATION PLATFORM (JBOSS EAP)?

Red Hat JBoss Enterprise Application Platform 7 (JBoss EAP) is a middleware platform built on open standards and compliant with the Java Enterprise Edition 7 specification. It provides preconfigured options for features such as high-availability clustering, messaging, and distributed caching. It includes a modular structure that allows you to enable services only when required, which results in improved startup speed.

The web-based management console and management command line interface (CLI) make editing XML configuration files unnecessary and add the ability to script and automate tasks. In addition, JBoss EAP includes APIs and development frameworks that allow you to quickly develop, deploy, and run secure and scalable Java EE applications. JBoss EAP 7 is a certified implementation of the Java EE 7 full and web profile specifications.

### 1.2. HOW DOES JBOSS EAP WORK ON OPENSHIFT?

Red Hat offers a containerized image for JBoss EAP that is designed for use with OpenShift. Using this image, developers can quickly and easily build, scale, and test applications that are deployed across hybrid environments.

### 1.3. COMPARISON: JBOSS EAP AND JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSHIFT

There are some notable differences when comparing the JBoss EAP product with the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image. The following table describes these differences and notes which features are included or supported in the current version of JBoss EAP for OpenShift.

**Table 1.1. Differences between JBoss EAP and JBoss EAP for OpenShift**

JBoss EAP Feature	Status in JBoss EAP for OpenShift	Description
JBoss EAP management console	Not included	The JBoss EAP management console is not included in this release of JBoss EAP for OpenShift.
JBoss EAP management CLI	Not recommended	The JBoss EAP management CLI is not recommended for use with JBoss EAP running in a containerized environment. Any configuration changes made using the management CLI in a running container will be lost when the container restarts. <a href="#">The management CLI is accessible from within a pod for troubleshooting purposes.</a>
Managed domain	Not supported	Although a JBoss EAP managed domain is not supported, creation and distribution of applications are managed in the containers on OpenShift.



JBoss EAP Feature	Status in JBoss EAP for OpenShift	Description
Default root page	Disabled	The default root page is disabled, but you can deploy your own application to the root context as <b>ROOT.war</b> .
Remote messaging	Supported	Red Hat AMQ for inter-pod and remote messaging is supported. ActiveMQ Artemis is only supported for messaging within a single pod with JBoss EAP instances, and is only enabled when Red Hat AMQ is absent.
Transaction recovery	Partially supported	There are some <a href="#">unsupported transaction recovery scenarios and caveats</a> when undertaking transaction recovery with the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

## 1.4. VERSION COMPATIBILITY AND SUPPORT

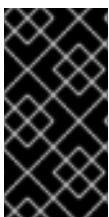
This guide covers the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image: **jboss-eap-7-tech-preview/eap72-openshift**.

You can see information on the latest tag for this image in the [Red Hat Container Catalog](#).

JBoss EAP for OpenShift is updated frequently. Therefore, it is important to understand which versions of the images are compatible with which versions of OpenShift. Not all images are compatible with all OpenShift 3.x versions. See [OpenShift and Atomic Platform Tested Integrations](#) on the Red Hat Customer Portal for more information on version compatibility and support.

## 1.5. TECHNOLOGY PREVIEW FEATURES

### Automated Transaction Recovery



#### IMPORTANT

This feature is provided as Technology Preview only. It is not supported for use in a production environment, and it might be subject to significant future changes. See [Technology Preview Features Support Scope](#) on the Red Hat Customer Portal for information about the support scope for Technology Preview features.

When a cluster is scaled down, it is possible for transaction branches to be in doubt. The JBoss EAP for OpenShift image has an [automated transaction recovery feature](#) that can complete these branches. At the moment, this implementation of automated transaction recovery is provided as technology preview only.

The **eap72-tx-recovery-s2i** application template that is provided to demonstrate automatic transaction recovery on scale down of application pods is also provided as a technology preview only.

## CHAPTER 2. BUILD AND RUN A JAVA APPLICATION ON THE JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSIFT IMAGE

The following workflow demonstrates using the Source-to-Image (S2I) process to build and run a Java application on the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

As an example, the **kitchensink** quickstart is used in this procedure. It demonstrates a Java EE 7 web-enabled database application using JSF, CDI, EJB, JPA, and Bean Validation. See the **kitchensink** quickstart that ships with JBoss EAP 7 for more information.

### 2.1. PREREQUISITES

This workflow assumes that you already have an OpenShift instance installed and operational, similar to that created in the [OpenShift Primer](#).

### 2.2. PREPARE OPENSIFT FOR APPLICATION DEPLOYMENT

1. Log in to your OpenShift instance using the **oc login** command.
2. Create a new project in OpenShift.  
A project allows a group of users to organize and manage content separately from other groups. You can create a project in OpenShift using the following command.

```
$ oc new-project PROJECT_NAME
```

For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, create a new project named **eap-demo** using the following command.

```
$ oc new-project eap-demo
```

3. Create a keystore.  
JBoss EAP for OpenShift requires a keystore to be imported to properly install and configure the image on your OpenShift instance.



#### WARNING

The following commands generate a self-signed certificate, but for production environments Red Hat recommends that you use your own SSL certificate purchased from a verified Certificate Authority (CA) for SSL-encrypted connections (HTTPS).

You can use the Java **keytool** command to generate a keystore using the following command.

```
$ keytool -genkey -keyalg RSA -alias ALIAS_NAME -keystore  
KEYSTORE_FILENAME.jks -validity 360 -keysize 2048
```

For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, use the following command to generate a keystore.

```
$ keytool -genkey -keyalg RSA -alias eapdemo-selfsigned -keystore
keystore.jks -validity 360 -keysize 2048
```

4. Create a secret from the keystore.

Create a secret from the previously created keystore using the following command.

```
$ oc secrets new SECRET_NAME KEYSTORE_FILENAME.jks
```

For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, use the following command to create a secret.

```
$ oc secrets new eap7-app-secret keystore.jks
```

## 2.3. IMPORT THE LATEST JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSIFT IMAGE STREAMS AND TEMPLATES

Use the following command to import the latest JBoss EAP for OpenShift image streams and templates into your OpenShift project's namespace.

```
for resource in \
  eap72-image-stream.json \
  eap72-amq-persistent-s2i.json \
  eap72-amq-s2i.json \
  eap72-basic-s2i.json \
  eap72-https-s2i.json \
  eap72-mongodb-persistent-s2i.json \
  eap72-mongodb-s2i.json \
  eap72-mysql-persistent-s2i.json \
  eap72-mysql-s2i.json \
  eap72-postgresql-persistent-s2i.json \
  eap72-postgresql-s2i.json \
  eap72-third-party-db-s2i.json \
  eap72-tx-recovery-s2i.json \
  eap72-ss0-s2i.json
do
  oc replace --force -f \
  https://raw.githubusercontent.com/jboss-container-images/jboss-eap-7-
  openshift-image/eap72/templates/${resource}
done
```

**NOTE**

The JBoss EAP image streams and templates imported using the above command are only available within that OpenShift project.

If you have administrative access to the general **openshift** namespace and want the image streams and templates to be accessible by all projects, add **-n openshift** to the **oc replace** line of the command. For example:

```
...
oc replace -n openshift --force -f \
...
```

## 2.4. DEPLOY A JBOSS EAP SOURCE-TO-IMAGE (S2I) APPLICATION TO OPENSHIFT

1. Create a new OpenShift application using the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image and your Java application's source code. Red Hat recommends using one of the provided JBoss EAP for OpenShift templates for S2I builds.

For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, use the following command to use the **eap72-basic-s2i** template with the **kitchensink** source code on GitHub.

```
oc new-app --template=eap72-basic-s2i \ ❶
-p IMAGE_STREAM_NAMESPACE="eap-demo" \ ❷
-p SOURCE_REPOSITORY_URL="https://github.com/jboss-developer/jboss-
eap-quickstarts" \ ❸
-p SOURCE_REPOSITORY_REF="openshift" \ ❹
-p CONTEXT_DIR="kitchensink" ❺
```

- ❶ The template to use.
- ❷ The latest images streams and templates [were imported into the project's namespace](#), so you must specify the namespace of where to find the image stream. This is usually the OpenShift project's name.
- ❸ URL to the repository containing the application source code.
- ❹ The Git repository reference to use for the source code. This can be a Git branch or tag reference.
- ❺ The directory within the source repository to build.

**NOTE**

A template can specify default values for many template parameters, and you might have to override some, or all, of the defaults. To see template information, including a list of parameters and any default values, use the command **oc describe template *TEMPLATE\_NAME***.

2. Retrieve the name of the build configuration.

```
$ oc get bc -o name
```

3. Use the name of the build configuration from the previous step to view the Maven progress of the build.

```
$ oc logs -f buildconfig/BUILD_CONFIG_NAME
```

For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, the following command shows the progress of the Maven build.

```
$ oc logs -f buildconfig/eap-app
```

## 2.5. POST DEPLOYMENT TASKS

Depending on your application, some tasks might need to be performed after your OpenShift application has been built and deployed. This might include exposing a service so that the application is viewable from outside of OpenShift, or scaling your application to a specific number of replicas.

1. Get the service name of your application using the following command.

```
$ oc get service
```

2. Expose the main service as a route so you can access your application from outside of OpenShift. For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, use the following command to expose the required service and port.

```
$ oc expose service/eap-app --port=8080
```



### NOTE

If you used a template to create the application, the route might already exist. If it does, continue on to the next step.

3. Get the URL of the route.

```
$ oc get route
```

4. Access the application in your web browser using the URL. The URL is the value of the **HOST/PORT** field from previous command's output.

If your application does not use the JBoss EAP root context, append the context of the application to the URL. For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, the URL might be **http://HOST\_PORT\_VALUE/kitchensink/**.

5. Optionally, you can also scale up the application instance by running the following command. This increases the number of replicas to **3**.

```
$ oc scale deploymentconfig DEPLOYMENTCONFIG_NAME --replicas=3
```

For example, for the **kitchensink** quickstart, use the following command to scale up the application.

```
$ oc scale deploymentconfig eap-app --replicas=3
```

## CHAPTER 3. CONFIGURING THE JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSIFT IMAGE FOR YOUR JAVA APPLICATION

The JBoss EAP for OpenShift image is preconfigured for basic use with your Java applications. However, you can configure the JBoss EAP instance inside the image. The recommended method is to use the OpenShift S2I process, together with application template parameters and environment variables.



### IMPORTANT

Any configuration changes made on a running container will be lost when the container is restarted or terminated.

This includes any configuration changes made using scripts that are included with a traditional JBoss EAP installation, for example **add-user.sh** or the management CLI.

It is strongly recommended that you use the OpenShift S2I process, together with application template parameters and environment variables, to make any configuration changes to the JBoss EAP instance inside the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

### 3.1. HOW THE JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSIFT S2I PROCESS WORKS



### NOTE

The variable **EAP\_HOME** is used to denote the path to the JBoss EAP installation inside the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

The S2I process for JBoss EAP for OpenShift works as follows:

1. If a **pom.xml** file is present in the source code repository, a Maven build process is triggered that uses the contents of the **\$MAVEN\_ARGS** environment variable.

Although you can specify custom Maven arguments or options with the **\$MAVEN\_ARGS** environment variable, Red Hat recommends that you use the **\$MAVEN\_ARGS\_APPEND** environment variable to do this. The **\$MAVEN\_ARGS\_APPEND** variable takes the default arguments from **\$MAVEN\_ARGS** and appends the options from **\$MAVEN\_ARGS\_APPEND** to it.

By default, the OpenShift profile uses the Maven **package** goal, which includes system properties for skipping tests (**-DskipTests**) and enabling the Red Hat GA repository (**-Dcom.redhat.xpaas.repo**).



### NOTE

To use Maven behind a proxy on JBoss EAP for OpenShift image, set the **\$HTTP\_PROXY\_HOST** and **\$HTTP\_PROXY\_PORT** environment variables. Optionally, you can also set the **\$HTTP\_PROXY\_USERNAME**, **HTTP\_PROXY\_PASSWORD**, and **HTTP\_PROXY\_NONPROXYHOSTS** variables.

2. The results of a successful Maven build are copied to the **EAP\_HOME/standalone/deployments/** directory inside the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image. This includes all JAR, WAR, and EAR files from the source repository specified by the **\$ARTIFACT\_DIR** environment variable. The default value of **\$ARTIFACT\_DIR** is the Maven target directory.

3. All files in the **configuration** source repository directory are copied to the **EAP\_HOME/standalone/configuration/** directory inside the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image. If you want to use a custom JBoss EAP configuration file, it should be named **standalone-openshift.xml**.
4. All files in the **modules** source repository directory are copied to the **EAP\_HOME/modules/** directory inside the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

See [Artifact Repository Mirrors](#) for additional guidance on how to instruct the S2I process to utilize the custom Maven artifacts repository mirror.

## 3.2. CONFIGURING JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSIFT USING ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

Using environment variables is the recommended method of configuring the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image. See the OpenShift documentation for instructions on [specifying environment variables](#) for application containers and build containers.

For example, you can set the JBoss EAP instance's management username and password using environment variables when creating your OpenShift application:

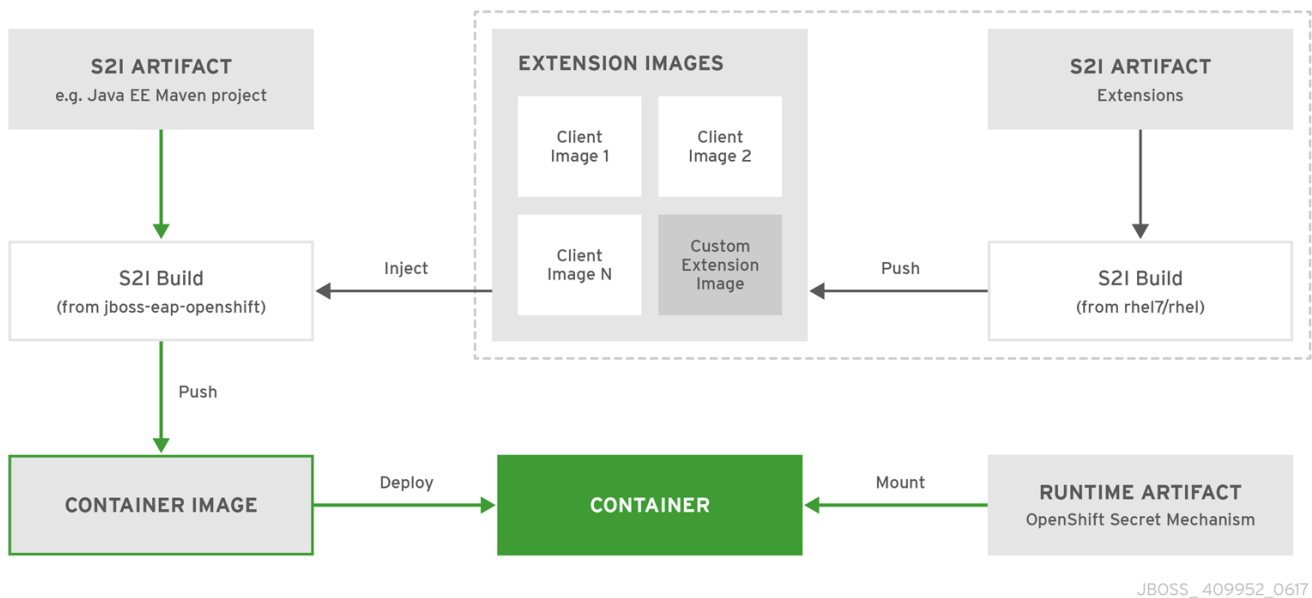
```
oc new-app --template=eap72-basic-s2i \
  -p IMAGE_STREAM_NAMESPACE="eap-demo" \
  -p SOURCE_REPOSITORY_URL="https://github.com/jboss-developer/jboss-eap-quickstarts" \
  -p SOURCE_REPOSITORY_REF="openshift" \
  -p CONTEXT_DIR="kitchensink" \
  -e ADMIN_USERNAME=myspecialuser \
  -e ADMIN_PASSWORD=myspecialp@ssw0rd
```

Available environment variables for the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image are listed in [Reference Information](#).

## 3.3. BUILD EXTENSIONS AND PROJECT ARTIFACTS

The JBoss EAP for OpenShift image extends database support in OpenShift using various artifacts. These artifacts are included in the built image through different mechanisms:

- [S2I artifacts](#) that are injected into the image during the S2I process.
- [Runtime artifacts](#) from environment files provided through the OpenShift Secret mechanism.



### 3.3.1. S2I Artifacts

The S2I artifacts include modules, drivers, and additional generic deployments that provide the necessary configuration infrastructure required for the deployment. This configuration is built into the image during the S2I process so that only the datasources and associated resource adapters need to be configured at runtime.

See [Artifact Repository Mirrors](#) for additional guidance on how to instruct the S2I process to utilize the custom Maven artifacts repository mirror.

#### 3.3.1.1. Modules, Drivers, and Generic Deployments

There are a few options for including these S2I artifacts in the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image:

1. Include the artifact in the application source deployment directory. The artifact is downloaded during the build and injected into the image. This is similar to deploying an application on the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.
2. Include the **CUSTOM\_INSTALL\_DIRECTORIES** environment variable, a list of comma-separated list of directories used for installation and configuration of artifacts for the image during the S2I process. There are two methods for including this information in the S2I:
  - An **install.sh** script in the nominated installation directory. The install script executes during the S2I process and operates with impunity.

#### install.sh Script Example

```
#!/bin/bash

injected_dir=$1
source /usr/local/s2i/install-common.sh
install_deployments ${injected_dir}/injected-deployments.war
install_modules ${injected_dir}/modules
configure_drivers ${injected_dir}/drivers.env
```



The **install.sh** script is responsible for customizing the base image using APIs provided by **install-common.sh**. **install-common.sh** contains functions that are used by the **install.sh** script to install and configure the modules, drivers, and generic deployments.

Functions contained within **install-common.sh**:

- o **install\_modules**
- o **configure\_drivers**
- o **install\_deployments**

## Modules

A module is a logical grouping of classes used for class loading and dependency management. Modules are defined in the **EAP\_HOME/modules/** directory of the application server. Each module exists as a subdirectory, for example **EAP\_HOME/modules/org/apache/**. Each module directory then contains a slot subdirectory, which defaults to **main** and contains the **module.xml** configuration file and any required JAR files.

### Example module.xml File

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<module xmlns="urn:jboss:module:1.0" name="org.apache.derby">
  <resources>
    <resource-root path="derby-10.12.1.1.jar"/>
    <resource-root path="derbyclient-10.12.1.1.jar"/>
  </resources>
  <dependencies>
    <module name="javax.api"/>
    <module name="javax.transaction.api"/>
  </dependencies>
</module>
```

The **install\_modules** function in **install.sh** copies the respective JAR files to the modules directory in JBoss EAP, along with the **module.xml**.

## Drivers

Drivers are installed as modules. The driver is then configured in **install.sh** by the **configure\_drivers** function, the configuration properties for which are defined in a [runtime artifact](#) environment file.

### Example drivers.env File

```
#DRIVER
DRIVERS=DERBY
DERBY_DRIVER_NAME=derby
DERBY_DRIVER_MODULE=org.apache.derby
DERBY_DRIVER_CLASS=org.apache.derby.jdbc.EmbeddedDriver
DERBY_XA_DATASOURCE_CLASS=org.apache.derby.jdbc.EmbeddedXADataSource
```

## Generic Deployments

Deployable archive files, such as JARs, WARs, RARs, or EARs, can be deployed from an injected image using the **install\_deployments** function supplied by the API in **install-common.sh**.

- If the **CUSTOM\_INSTALL\_DIRECTORIES** environment variable has been declared but no **install.sh** scripts are found in the custom installation directories, the following artifact directories will be copied to their respective destinations in the built image:
  - **modules/\*** copied to **\$JBOSS\_HOME/modules/system/layers/openshift**
  - **configuration/\*** copied to **\$JBOSS\_HOME/standalone/configuration**
  - **deployments/\*** copied to **\$JBOSS\_HOME/standalone/deployments**

This is a basic configuration approach compared to the **install.sh** alternative, and requires the artifacts to be structured appropriately.

### 3.3.2. Runtime Artifacts

#### 3.3.2.1. Datasources



#### IMPORTANT

Support for using the Red Hat-provided internal datasource drivers with the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image is now deprecated. It is recommended that you use JDBC drivers obtained from your database vendor for your JBoss EAP applications.

For more information on configuring JDBC drivers with JBoss EAP, see [JDBC drivers](#) in the JBoss EAP *Configuration Guide*.

There are three types of datasources:

1. Default internal datasources. These are PostgreSQL, MySQL, and MongoDB. These datasources are available on OpenShift by default through the Red Hat Registry and do not require additional environment files to be configured. Set the [DB\\_SERVICE\\_PREFIX\\_MAPPING](#) environment variable to the name of the OpenShift service for the database to be discovered and used as a datasource.
2. Other internal datasources. These are datasources not available by default through the Red Hat Registry but run on OpenShift. Configuration of these datasources is provided by environment files added to OpenShift Secrets.
3. External datasources that are not run on OpenShift. Configuration of external datasources is provided by environment files added to OpenShift Secrets.

#### Example: Datasource Environment File

```
# derby datasource
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_DATABASE=accounts
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_JNDI=java:/accounts-ds
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_DRIVER=derby
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_USERNAME=derby
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_PASSWORD=derby
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_TX_ISOLATION=TRANSACTION_READ_UNCOMMITTED
```

```

ACCOUNTS_DERBY_JTA=true

# Connection info for xa datasource
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_XA_CONNECTION_PROPERTY_DataSourceName=/home/jboss/source/data
/databases/derby/accounts

# _HOST and _PORT are required, but not used
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_SERVICE_HOST=dummy
ACCOUNTS_DERBY_SERVICE_PORT=1527

```

The **DATASOURCES** property is a comma-separated list of datasource property prefixes. These prefixes are then appended to all properties for that datasource. Multiple datasources can then be included in a single environment file. Alternatively, each datasource can be provided in separate environment files.

Datasources contain two types of properties: connection pool-specific properties and database driver-specific properties. Database driver-specific properties use the generic **XA\_CONNECTION\_PROPERTY**, because the driver itself is configured as a driver S2I artifact. The suffix of the driver property is specific to the particular driver for the datasource.

In the above example, **ACCOUNTS** is the datasource prefix, **XA\_CONNECTION\_PROPERTY** is the generic driver property, and **DataSourceName** is the property specific to the driver.

The datasources environment files are added to the OpenShift Secret for the project. These environment files are then called within the template using the **ENV\_FILES** environment property, the value of which is a comma-separated list of fully qualified environment files as shown below.

```

{
  "Name": "ENV_FILES",
  "Value":
    "/etc/extensions/datasources1.env,/etc/extensions/datasources2.env"
}

```

### 3.3.2.2. Resource Adapters

Configuration of resource adapters is provided by environment files added to OpenShift Secrets.

**Table 3.1. Resource Adapter Properties**

Attribute	Description
<i>PREFIX_ID</i>	The identifier of the resource adapter as specified in the server configuration file.
<i>PREFIX_ARCHIVE</i>	The resource adapter archive.
<i>PREFIX_MODULE_SLOT</i>	The slot subdirectory, which contains the <b>module.xml</b> configuration file and any required JAR files.
<i>PREFIX_MODULE_ID</i>	The JBoss Module ID where the object factory Java class can be loaded from.

Attribute	Description
<i>PREFIX_CONNECTION_CLASS</i>	The fully qualified class name of a managed connection factory or admin object.
<i>PREFIX_CONNECTION_JNDI</i>	The JNDI name for the connection factory.
<i>PREFIX_PROPERTY_ParentDirectory</i>	Directory where the data files are stored.
<i>PREFIX_PROPERTY_AllowParentPaths</i>	Set <b>AllowParentPaths</b> to <b>false</b> to disallow <code>..</code> in paths. This prevents requesting files that are not contained in the parent directory.
<i>PREFIX_POOL_MAX_SIZE</i>	The maximum number of connections for a pool. No more connections will be created in each sub-pool.
<i>PREFIX_POOL_MIN_SIZE</i>	The minimum number of connections for a pool.
<i>PREFIX_POOL_PREFILL</i>	Specifies if the pool should be prefilled. Changing this value requires a server restart.
<i>PREFIX_POOL_FLUSH_STRATEGY</i>	How the pool should be flushed in case of an error. Valid values are: <b>FailingConnectionOnly</b> (default), <b>IdleConnections</b> , and <b>EntirePool</b> .

The **RESOURCE\_ADAPTERS** property is a comma-separated list of resource adapter property prefixes. These prefixes are then appended to all properties for that resource adapter. Multiple resource adapter can then be included in a single environment file. In the example below, **MYRA** is used as the prefix for a resource adapter. Alternatively, each resource adapter can be provided in separate environment files.

### Example: Resource Adapter Environment File

```
#RESOURCE_ADAPTER
RESOURCE_ADAPTERS=MYRA
MYRA_ID=myra
MYRA_ARCHIVE=myra.rar
MYRA_CONNECTION_CLASS=org.javaee7.jca.connector.simple.connector.outbound.
MyManagedConnectionFactory
MYRA_CONNECTION_JNDI=java:/eis/MySimpleMFC
```

The resource adapter environment files are added to the OpenShift Secret for the project namespace. These environment files are then called within the template using the **ENV\_FILES** environment property, the value of which is a comma-separated list of fully qualified environment files as shown below.

```
{
  "Name": "ENV_FILES",
  "Value":
"/etc/extensions/resourceadapter1.env,/etc/extensions/resourceadapter2.env
"
```

## 3.4. DEPLOYMENT CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE JBOSS EAP FOR OPENSIFT IMAGE

### 3.4.1. Scaling Up and Persistent Storage Partitioning

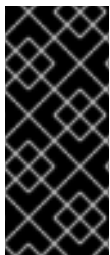
There are two methods for deploying JBoss EAP with persistent storage: single-node partitioning, and multi-node partitioning.

Single-node partitioning stores the JBoss EAP data store directory, including transaction data, in the storage volume.

Multi-node partitioning creates additional, independent **split-*n*** directories to store the transaction data for each JBoss EAP pod, where *n* is an incremental integer. This communication is not altered if a JBoss EAP pod is updated, goes down unexpectedly, or is redeployed. When the JBoss EAP pod is operational again, it reconnects to the associated split directory and continues as before. If a new JBoss EAP pod is added, a corresponding **split-*n*** directory is created for that pod.

To enable the multi-node configuration you must set the **SPLIT\_DATA** parameter to **true**. This results in the server creating independent **split-*n*** directories for each instance within the persistent volume which are used as their data store.

This is now the default setting in the [eap72-tx-recovery-s2i](#) template.



#### IMPORTANT

Due to the different storage methods of single-node and multi-node partitioning, changing a deployment from single-node to multi-node results in the application losing all data previously stored in the data directory, including messages, transaction logs, and so on. This is also true if changing a deployment from multi-node to single-node, as the storage paths will not match.

### 3.4.2. Scaling Down and Transaction Recovery

When the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image is deployed using a [multi-node](#) configuration, it is possible for unexpectedly terminated transactions to be left in the data directory of a terminating pod if the cluster is scaled down.

In order to prevent transactions from remaining within the data store of the terminating pod until the cluster next scales up, the [eap72-tx-recovery-s2i](#) JBoss EAP template creates a second deployment containing a migration pod that is responsible for managing the migration of transactions. The migration pod scans each independent **split-*n*** directory within the JBoss EAP persistent volume, identifies data stores associated with the pods that are terminating, and continues to run until all transactions on the terminating pod are completed.



#### IMPORTANT

Since the persistent volume needs to be accessed in read-write mode by both the JBoss EAP application pod and also by the migration pod, it needs to be created with the [ReadWriteMany](#) access mode. This access mode is currently only supported for persistent volumes using **GlusterFS** and **NFS** plug-ins. For details, see the [Supported Access Modes for Persistent Volumes](#) table.

For more information, see [Example Workflow: Automated Transaction Recovery Feature When Scaling Down a Cluster](#), which demonstrates the automated transaction recovery feature of the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image when scaling down a cluster.

## CHAPTER 4. TROUBLESHOOTING

### 4.1. TROUBLESHOOTING POD RESTARTS

Pods can restart for a number of reasons, but a common cause of JBoss EAP pod restarts might include OpenShift resource constraints, especially out-of-memory issues. See the OpenShift documentation for more information on [OpenShift pod eviction](#).

By default, JBoss EAP for OpenShift templates are configured to automatically restart affected containers when they encounter situations like out-of-memory issues. The following steps can help you diagnose and troubleshoot out-of-memory and other pod restart issues.

1. Get the name of the pod that has been having trouble.

You can see pod names, as well as the number times each pod has restarted with the following command.

```
$ oc get pods
```

2. To diagnose why a pod has restarted, you can examine the JBoss EAP logs of the previous pod, or the OpenShift events.

- a. To see the JBoss EAP logs of the previous pod, use the following command.

```
oc logs --previous POD_NAME
```

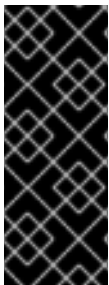
- b. To see the OpenShift events, use the following command.

```
$ oc get events
```

3. If a pod has restarted because of a resource issue, you can attempt to modify your OpenShift pod configuration to increase its [resource requests and limits](#). See the OpenShift documentation for more information on [configuring pod compute resources](#).

### 4.2. TROUBLESHOOTING USING THE JBOSS EAP MANAGEMENT CLI

The JBoss EAP management CLI, **EAP\_HOME/bin/jboss-cli.sh**, is accessible from within a container for troubleshooting purposes.



#### IMPORTANT

It is not recommended to make configuration changes in a running pod using the JBoss EAP management CLI. Any configuration changes made using the management CLI in a running container will be lost when the container restarts.

To make configuration changes to JBoss EAP for OpenShift, see [Configuring the JBoss EAP for OpenShift Image for Your Java Application](#).

1. First open a remote shell session to the running pod.

```
$ oc rsh POD_NAME
```

2. Run the following command from the remote shell session to launch the JBoss EAP management CLI:

```
$ /opt/eap/bin/jboss-cli.sh
```



## CHAPTER 5. ADVANCED TUTORIALS

### 5.1. EXAMPLE WORKFLOW: AUTOMATED TRANSACTION RECOVERY FEATURE WHEN SCALING DOWN A CLUSTER



#### IMPORTANT

This feature is provided as Technology Preview only. It is not supported for use in a production environment, and it might be subject to significant future changes. See [Technology Preview Features Support Scope](#) on the Red Hat Customer Portal for information about the support scope for Technology Preview features.

This tutorial demonstrates the automated transaction recovery feature of the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image when scaling down a cluster. The **jta-crash-rec-eap7** quickstart example and the **eap72-tx-recovery-s2i** application template are used here to show how XA transactions issued on the OpenShift pod, when terminated within the cluster's scale down, are recovered by the dedicated migration pod.



#### NOTE

The **jta-crash-rec-eap7** quickstart uses the H2 database that is included with JBoss EAP. It is a lightweight, relational example datasource that is used for examples only. It is not robust or scalable, is not supported, and should not be used in a production environment.

#### 5.1.1. Prepare for Deployment

1. Log in to your OpenShift instance using the **oc login** command.
2. Create a new project.

```
$ oc new-project eap-tx-demo
```

3. Add the view role to the **default** service account, which will be used to run the underlying pods. This enables the service account to view all the resources in the **eap-tx-demo** namespace, which is necessary for managing the cluster.

```
$ oc policy add-role-to-user view system:serviceaccount:$(oc project -q):default
```

4. For automated transaction recovery to work, the JBoss EAP application must use a **ReadWriteMany persistent volume**. Provision the persistent volume expected by the **eap72-tx-recovery-s2i** application template to hold the data for the **\${APPLICATION\_NAME}-eap-claim persistent volume claim**.

This example uses a persistent volume object provisioned using the NFS method with the following definition:

```
$ cat txpv.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
```

```

metadata:
  name: txpv
spec:
  capacity:
    storage: 1Gi
  accessModes:
    - ReadWriteMany
  persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy: Retain
  nfs:
    path: /mnt/mountpoint
    server: 192.168.100.175

```

Update the **path** and **server** fields in the above definition for your environment, and provision the persistent volume with the following command:

```
$ oc create -f txpv.yaml
persistentvolume "txpv" created
```

```
$ oc get pv
```

NAME	CAPACITY	ACCESSMODES	RECLAIMPOLICY	STATUS
CLAIM	STORAGECLASS	REASON	AGE	
txpv	1Gi	RWX	Retain	Available
26s				

## IMPORTANT

When using the NFS method to provision persistent volume objects for the **eap72-tx-recovery-s2i** application template, ensure the mount point is exported with sufficient permissions. On the host from which the mount point is exported, perform the following:

```

# chmod -R 777 /mnt/mountpoint

# cat /etc/exports
/mnt/mountpoint *(rw,sync,anonuid=185,anongid=185)

# exportfs -va
exporting */mnt/mountpoint

# setsebool -P virt_use_nfs 1

```

Replace **/mnt/mountpoint** path above as appropriate for your environment.

## 5.1.2. Deployment

1. Deploy the **jta-crash-rec-eap7** quickstart using the **eap72-tx-recovery-s2i** application template. Specify the following:

```

$ oc new-app --template=eap72-tx-recovery-s2i \
-p SOURCE_REPOSITORY_URL="https://github.com/jboss-
openshift/openshift-quickstarts" \
-p SOURCE_REPOSITORY_REF="master" \

```

```
-p CONTEXT_DIR="jta-crash-rec-eap7" \
-e CUSTOM_INSTALL_DIRECTORIES="extensions/*" \
--name=eap-app
--> Deploying template "openshift/eap72-tx-recovery-s2i" to project
eap-tx-demo
```

```
JBoss EAP 7.0 (tx recovery)
```

```
-----
```

An example EAP 7 application. For more information about using this template, see <https://github.com/jboss-openshift/application-templates>.

A new EAP 7 based application has been created in your project.

```
* With parameters:
* Application Name=eap-app
* Custom http Route Hostname=
* Git Repository URL=https://github.com/jboss-
openshift/openshift-quickstarts
* Git Reference=master
* Context Directory=jta-crash-rec-eap7
* Queues=
* Topics=
* A-MQ cluster password=nyneOXUm # generated
* Github Webhook Secret=PUW8Tmov # generated
* Generic Webhook Secret=o7uD7qrG # generated
* ImageStream Namespace=openshift
* JGroups Cluster Password=MoR1Jthf # generated
* Deploy Exploded Archives=false
* Maven mirror URL=
* ARTIFACT_DIR=
* MEMORY_LIMIT=1Gi
* EAP Volume Size=1Gi
* Split the data directory?=true
```

```
--> Creating resources ...
service "eap-app" created
service "eap-app-ping" created
route "eap-app" created
imagestream "eap-app" created
buildconfig "eap-app" created
deploymentconfig "eap-app" created
deploymentconfig "eap-app-migration" created
persistentvolumeclaim "eap-app-eap-claim" created
--> Success
Build scheduled, use 'oc logs -f bc/eap-app' to track its
progress.
Run 'oc status' to view your app.
```

2. Wait for the build to finish. You can see the status of the build using the **oc logs -f bc/eap-app** command.
3. Modify the **eap-app** deployment configuration with the definition of **JAVA\_OPTS\_APPEND** and **JBOSS\_MODULES\_SYSTEM\_PKGS\_APPEND** environment variables.

```
$ oc get dc
```

NAME	REVISION	DESIRED	CURRENT	TRIGGERED BY
eap-app	1	1	1	
config,image(eap-app:latest)				
eap-app-migration	1	1	1	
config,image(eap-app:latest)				

```
$ oc set env dc/eap-app \
-e JBOSSE_MODULES_SYSTEM_PKGS_APPEND="org.jboss.byteman" \
-e JAVA_OPTS_APPEND="-
javaagent:/tmp/src/extensions/byteman/byteman.jar=script:/tmp/src/src/main/scripts/xa.btm"
deploymentconfig "eap-app" updated
```

This setting will notify the [Byteman](#) tracing and monitoring tool to modify the XA transactions processing in the following way:

- The first transaction is always allowed to succeed.
- When an XA resource executes phase 2 of the second transaction, the JVM process of the particular pod is halted.

### 5.1.3. Using the JTA Crash Recovery Application

1. List running pods in the current namespace:

```
$ oc get pods | grep Running
```

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
eap-app-2-r00gm	1/1	Running	0	1m
eap-app-migration-1-lvfdt	1/1	Running	0	2m

2. Issue a new XA transaction.

- a. Launch the application by opening a browser and navigating to <http://eap-app-eap-tx-demo.openshift.example.com/jboss-jta-crash-rec>.
- b. Enter **Mercedes** into the **Key** field, and **Benz** into the **Value** field. Click the **Submit** button.
- c. Wait for a moment, then click the **Refresh Table** link.
- d. Notice how the table row containing the **Mercedes** entry is updated with **updated via JMS on eap-app-2-r00gm host**. If it has not yet updated, click the **Refresh Table** link couple of times. Alternatively, you can inspect the log of the **eap-app-2-r00gm** pod to verify the transaction was handled properly:

```
$ oc logs eap-app-2-r00gm | grep 'updated'
INFO [org.jboss.as.quickstarts.xa.DbUpdaterMDB] (Thread-0
(ActiveMQ-client-global-threads-1566836606)) JTA Crash Record
Quickstart: key value pair updated via JMS on eap-app-2-r00gm
host.
```

3. Issue a second XA transaction using your browser at <http://eap-app-eap-tx-demo.openshift.example.com/jboss-jta-crash-rec>.
  - a. Enter **Land** into the **Key** field, and **Rover** into the **Value** field. Click the **Submit** button.

- b. Wait for a moment, then click the **Refresh Table** link.
  - c. Notice how the **Land Rover** entry was added without the **updated via ...** suffix.
4. Scale the cluster down.

```
$ oc scale --replicas=0 dc/eap-app
deploymentconfig "eap-app" scaled
```

- a. Notice how the **eap-app-2-r00gm** pod was scheduled for termination.

```
$ oc get pods
NAME                                READY   STATUS    RESTARTS
AGE
eap-app-1-build                     0/1     Completed 0
4m
eap-app-2-r00gm                     1/1     Terminating 0
2m
eap-app-migration-1-lvfdt          1/1     Running    0
3m
```

5. Watch the log of the migration pod and notice how transaction recovery is performed. Wait for the recovery to finish:

```
$ oc logs -f eap-app-migration-1-lvfdt
Finished Migration Check cycle, pausing for 30 seconds before
resuming
...
Finished, recovery terminated successfully
Migration terminated with status 0 (T)
Releasing lock: (/opt/eap/standalone/partitioned_data/split-1)
Finished Migration Check cycle, pausing for 30 seconds before
resuming
...
```

6. Scale the cluster back up.

```
$ oc scale --replicas=1 dc/eap-app
deploymentconfig "eap-app" scaled
```

7. Using the browser navigate back to <http://eap-app-eap-tx-demo.openshift.example.com/jboss-jta-crash-rec>.
8. Notice the table contains entries for both transactions. It looks similar to the following output:

**Table 5.1. Example: Database Table Contents**

Database Table Contents	
Key	Value
Mercedes	Benz updated via JMS on eap-app-2-r00gm host.

Database Table Contents	
Land	Rover updated via JMS on eap-app-migration-1-lvfdt host.

The content in the above table indicates that, although the cluster was scaled down before the second XA transaction had chance to finish, the migration pod performed the transaction recovery and the transaction was successfully completed.

## CHAPTER 6. REFERENCE INFORMATION



### NOTE

The content in this section is derived from the engineering documentation for this image. It is provided for reference as it can be useful for development purposes and for testing beyond the scope of the product documentation.

### 6.1. PERSISTENT TEMPLATES

The JBoss EAP database templates, which deploy JBoss EAP and database pods, have both ephemeral and persistent variations. For example, for a JBoss EAP application backed by a MongoDB database, there are **eap72-mongodb-s2i** and **eap72-mongodb-persistent-s2i** templates.

Persistent templates include an environment variable to provision a persistent volume claim, which binds with an available persistent volume to be used as a storage volume for the JBoss EAP for OpenShift deployment. Information, such as timer schema, log handling, or data updates, is stored on the storage volume, rather than in ephemeral container memory. This information persists if the pod goes down for any reason, such as project upgrade, deployment rollback, or an unexpected error.

Without a persistent storage volume for the deployment, this information is stored in the container memory only, and is lost if the pod goes down for any reason.

For example, an EE timer backed by persistent storage continues to run if the pod is restarted. Any events triggered by the timer during the restart process are enacted when the application is running again.

Conversely, if the EE timer is running in the container memory, the timer status is lost if the pod is restarted, and starts from the beginning when the pod is running again.

### 6.2. INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

The following environment variables are designed to provide information to the image and should not be modified by the user:

**Table 6.1. Information Environment Variables**

Variable Name	Description and Value
JBOSS_IMAGE_NAME	The image name.  Value: <b>jboss-eap-7-tech-preview/eap72-openshift</b>
JBOSS_IMAGE_RELEASE	The image release label.  Value: <b>dev</b>
JBOSS_IMAGE_VERSION	The image version.  Value: This is the image version number. See the <a href="#">Red Hat Container Catalog</a> for the latest value.

Variable Name	Description and Value
JBOSS_MODULES_SYSTEM_PKGS	<p>A comma-separated list of JBoss EAP system modules packages that are available to applications.</p> <p>Value: <b>org.jboss.logmanager, jdk.nashorn.api</b></p>
STI_BUILDER	<p>Provides OpenShift S2I support for <b>jee</b> project types.</p> <p>Value: <b>jee</b></p>

## 6.3. CONFIGURATION ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

You can configure the following environment variables to adjust the image without requiring a rebuild.

**Table 6.2. Configuration Environment Variables**

Variable Name	Description
AB_JOLOKIA_AUTH_OPENSHIFT	<p>Switch on client authentication for OpenShift TLS communication. The value of this parameter can be <b>true</b>, <b>false</b>, or a relative distinguished name, which must be contained in a presented client's certificate. The default CA cert is set to <b>/var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount/ca.crt</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set to <b>false</b> to disable client authentication for OpenShift TLS communication.</li> <li>Set to <b>true</b> to enable client authentication for OpenShift TLS communication using the default CA certificate and client principal.</li> <li>Set to a relative distinguished name, for example <b>cn=someSystem</b>, to enable client authentication for OpenShift TLS communication but override the client principal. This distinguished name must be contained in a presented client's certificate.</li> </ul>
AB_JOLOKIA_CONFIG	<p>If set, uses this fully qualified file path for the Jolokia JVM agent properties, which are described in the <a href="#">Jolokia reference documentation</a>. If you set your own Jolokia properties config file, the rest of the Jolokia settings in this document are ignored.</p> <p>If not set, <b>/opt/jolokia/etc/jolokia.properties</b> is created using the settings as defined in the Jolokia reference documentation.</p> <p>Example value: <b>/opt/jolokia/custom.properties</b></p>



Variable Name	Description
AB_JOLOKIA_DISCOVERY_ENABLED	<p>Enable Jolokia discovery.</p> <p>Defaults to <b>false</b>.</p>
AB_JOLOKIA_HOST	<p>Host address to bind to.</p> <p>Defaults to <b>0.0.0.0</b>.</p> <p>Example value: <b>127.0.0.1</b></p>
AB_JOLOKIA_HTTPS	<p>Switch on secure communication with HTTPS.</p> <p>By default self-signed server certificates are generated if no <b>serverCert</b> configuration is given in <b>AB_JOLOKIA_OPTS</b>.</p> <p>Example value: <b>true</b></p>
AB_JOLOKIA_ID	<p>Agent ID to use.</p> <p>The default value is the <b>\$HOSTNAME</b>, which is the container id.</p> <p>Example value: <b>openjdk-app-1-xqlsj</b></p>
AB_JOLOKIA_OFF	<p>If set to <b>true</b>, disables activation of Jolokia, which echos an empty value.</p> <p>Jolokia is enabled by default.</p>
AB_JOLOKIA_OPTS	<p>Additional options to be appended to the agent configuration. They should be given in the format <b>key=value, key=value, ...</b></p> <p>Example value: <b>backlog=20</b></p>
AB_JOLOKIA_PASSWORD	<p>The password for basic authentication.</p> <p>By default, authentication is switched off.</p> <p>Example value: <b>mypassword</b></p>
AB_JOLOKIA_PASSWORD_RANDOM	<p>Determines if a random <b>AB_JOLOKIA_PASSWORD</b> should be generated.</p> <p>Set to <b>true</b> to generate a random password. The generated value is saved in the <b>/opt/jolokia/etc/jolokia.pw</b> file.</p>

Variable Name	Description
AB_JOLOKIA_PORT	<p>The port to listen to.</p> <p>Defaults to <b>8778</b>.</p> <p>Example value: <b>5432</b></p>
AB_JOLOKIA_USER	<p>The name of the user to use for basic authentication.</p> <p>Defaults to <b>jolokia</b>.</p> <p>Example value: <b>myusername</b></p>
CLI_GRACEFUL_SHUTDOWN	<p>If set to any non-zero length value, the image will prevent shutdown with the <b>TERM</b> signal and will require execution of the <b>shutdown</b> command using the JBoss EAP management CLI.</p> <p>Example value: <b>true</b></p>
CONTAINER_HEAP_PERCENT	<p>Set the maximum Java heap size, as a percentage of available container memory.</p> <p>Example value: <b>0.5</b></p>
CUSTOM_INSTALL_DIRECTORIES	<p>A list of comma-separated directories used for installation and configuration of artifacts for the image during the S2I process.</p> <p>Example value: <b>custom, shared</b></p>
DEFAULT_JMS_CONNECTION_FACTORY	<p>This value is used to specify the default JNDI binding for the JMS connection factory, for example <b>jms-connection-factory='java:jboss/DefaultJMSConnectionFactory'</b>.</p> <p>Example value: <b>java:jboss/DefaultJMSConnectionFactory</b></p>
ENABLE_ACCESS_LOG	<p>Enable logging of access messages to the standard output channel.</p> <p>Logging of access messages is implemented using following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The JBoss EAP 6.4 OpenShift image uses a custom JBoss Web Access Log Valve.</li> <li>• The JBoss EAP for OpenShift image uses the Undertow <a href="#">AccessLogHandler</a>.</li> </ul> <p>Defaults to <b>false</b>.</p>

Variable Name	Description
INITIAL_HEAP_PERCENT	<p>Set the initial Java heap size, as a percentage of the maximum heap size.</p> <p>Example value: <b>0.5</b></p>
JAVA_OPTS_APPEND	<p>Server startup options.</p> <p>Example value: <b>-Dfoo=bar</b></p>
JBOSS_MODULES_SYSTEM_PKGS_APPEND	<p>A comma-separated list of package names that will be appended to the <b>JBOSS_MODULES_SYSTEM_PKGS</b> environment variable.</p> <p>Example value: <b>org.jboss.byteman</b></p>
JGROUPS_PING_PROTOCOL	<p>JGroups protocol to use for node discovery. Can be either <b>openshift.DNS_PING</b> or <b>openshift.KUBE_PING</b>.</p>
MQ_SIMPLE_DEFAULT_PHYSICAL_DESTINATION	<p>For backwards compatibility, set to <b>true</b> to use <b>MyQueue</b> and <b>MyTopic</b> as physical destination name defaults instead of <b>queue/MyQueue</b> and <b>topic/MyTopic</b>.</p>
OPENSIFT_DNS_PING_SERVICE_NAME	<p>Name of the service exposing the ping port on the servers for the DNS discovery mechanism.</p> <p>Example value: <b>eap-app-ping</b></p>
OPENSIFT_DNS_PING_SERVICE_PORT	<p>The port number of the ping port for the DNS discovery mechanism. If not specified, an attempt will be made to discover the port number from the SRV records for the service, otherwise the default <b>8888</b> will be used.</p> <p>Defaults to <b>8888</b>.</p>
OPENSIFT_KUBE_PING_LABELS	<p>Clustering labels selector for the Kubernetes discovery mechanism.</p> <p>Example value: <b>app=eap-app</b></p>
OPENSIFT_KUBE_PING_NAMESPACE	<p>Clustering project namespace for the Kubernetes discovery mechanism.</p> <p>Example value: <b>myproject</b></p>
SCRIPT_DEBUG	<p>If set to <b>true</b>, ensures that the Bash scripts are executed with the <b>-x</b> option, printing the commands and their arguments as they are executed.</p>

**NOTE**

Other environment variables not listed above that can influence the product can be found in the [JBoss EAP documentation](#).

## 6.4. APPLICATION TEMPLATES

**Table 6.3. Application Templates**

Variable Name	Description
AUTO_DEPLOY_EXPLODED	Controls whether exploded deployment content should be automatically deployed.  Example value: <b>false</b>

## 6.5. EXPOSED PORTS

**Table 6.4. Exposed Ports**

Port Number	Description
8443	HTTPS
8778	Jolokia Monitoring

## 6.6. DATASOURCES

Datasources are automatically created based on the value of some of the environment variables.

The most important environment variable is **DB\_SERVICE\_PREFIX\_MAPPING**, as it defines JNDI mappings for the datasources. The allowed value for this variable is a comma-separated list of ***POOLNAME - DATABASETYPE=PREFIX*** triplets, where:

- ***POOLNAME*** is used as the **pool-name** in the datasource.
- ***DATABASETYPE*** is the database driver to use.
- ***PREFIX*** is the prefix used in the names of environment variables that are used to configure the datasource.

### 6.6.1. JNDI Mappings for Datasources

For each ***POOLNAME - DATABASETYPE=PREFIX*** triplet defined in the **DB\_SERVICE\_PREFIX\_MAPPING** environment variable, the launch script creates a separate datasource, which is executed when running the image.

**NOTE**

The first part (before the equal sign) of the **DB\_SERVICE\_PREFIX\_MAPPING** should be lowercase.

The **DATABASETYPE** determines the driver for the datasource. Currently, only **postgresql** and **mysql** are supported.



### WARNING

Do not use any special characters for the **POOLNAME** parameter.

#### 6.6.1.1. Database Drivers



### IMPORTANT

Support for using the Red Hat-provided internal datasource drivers with the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image is now deprecated. It is recommended that you use JDBC drivers obtained from your database vendor for your JBoss EAP applications.

For more information on configuring JDBC drivers with JBoss EAP, see [JDBC drivers](#) in the JBoss EAP *Configuration Guide*.

Every image contains Java drivers for MySQL, PostgreSQL and MongoDB databases deployed. Datasources are generated only for MySQL and PostgreSQL databases.



### NOTE

For MongoDB database there are no JNDI mappings created because MongoDB is not a SQL database.

#### 6.6.1.2. Datasource Configuration Environment Variables

To configure other datasource properties, use the following environment variables.



### IMPORTANT

Be sure to replace the values for **POOLNAME**, **DATABASETYPE**, and **PREFIX** in the following variable names with the appropriate values. These replaceable values are described in this section and in the [Datasources](#) section.

Variable Name	Description
<code>POOLNAME_DATABASETYPE_SERVICE_HOST</code>	<p>Defines the database server's host name or IP address to be used in the datasource's <b>connection-url</b> property.</p> <p>Example value: <b>192.168.1.3</b></p>
<code>POOLNAME_DATABASETYPE_SERVICE_PORT</code>	<p>Defines the database server's port for the datasource.</p> <p>Example value: <b>5432</b></p>

Variable Name	Description
<i>PREFIX_BACKGROUND_VALIDATION</i>	When set to <b>true</b> database connections are validated periodically in a background thread prior to use. Defaults to <b>false</b> , meaning the <b>validate-on-match</b> method is enabled by default instead.
<i>PREFIX_BACKGROUND_VALIDATION_MILLIS</i>	Specifies frequency of the validation, in milliseconds, when the <b>background-validation</b> database connection validation mechanism is enabled ( <i>PREFIX_BACKGROUND_VALIDATION</i> variable is set to <b>true</b> ). Defaults to <b>10000</b> .
<i>PREFIX_CONNECTION_CHECKER</i>	Specifies a connection checker class that is used to validate connections for the particular database in use.  Example value: <b>org.jboss.jca.adapters.jdbc.extensions.postgres.PostgreSQLValidConnectionChecker</b>
<i>PREFIX_DATABASE</i>	Defines the database name for the datasource.  Example value: <b>myDatabase</b>
<i>PREFIX_DRIVER</i>	Defines Java database driver for the datasource.  Example value: <b>postgresql</b>
<i>PREFIX_EXCEPTION_SORTER</i>	Specifies the exception sorter class that is used to properly detect and clean up after fatal database connection exceptions.  Example value: <b>org.jboss.jca.adapters.jdbc.extensions.mysql.MySQLExceptionSorter</b>
<i>PREFIX_JNDI</i>	Defines the JNDI name for the datasource. Defaults to <b>java:jboss/datasources/<i>POOLNAME</i>_<i>DATABASETYPE</i></b> , where <b><i>POOLNAME</i></b> and <b><i>DATABASETYPE</i></b> are taken from the triplet described above. This setting is useful if you want to override the default generated JNDI name.  Example value: <b>java:jboss/datasources/test-postgresql</b>
<i>PREFIX_JTA</i>	Defines Java Transaction API (JTA) option for the non-XA datasource. The XA datasources are already JTA capable by default.  Defaults to <b>true</b> .

Variable Name	Description
<i>PREFIX_MAX_POOL_SIZE</i>	Defines the maximum pool size option for the datasource. Example value: <b>20</b>
<i>PREFIX_MIN_POOL_SIZE</i>	Defines the minimum pool size option for the datasource. Example value: <b>1</b>
<i>PREFIX_NONXA</i>	Defines the datasource as a non-XA datasource. Defaults to <b>false</b> .
<i>PREFIX_PASSWORD</i>	Defines the password for the datasource. Example value: <b>password</b>
<i>PREFIX_TX_ISOLATION</i>	Defines the java.sql.Connection transaction isolation level for the datasource. Example value: <b>TRANSACTION_READ_UNCOMMITTED</b>
<i>PREFIX_URL</i>	Defines connection URL for the datasource. Example value: <b>jdbc:postgresql://localhost:5432/postgresdb</b>
<i>PREFIX_USERNAME</i>	Defines the username for the datasource. Example value: <b>admin</b>

When running this image in OpenShift, the ***POOLNAME\_DATABASETYPE\_SERVICE\_HOST*** and ***POOLNAME\_DATABASETYPE\_SERVICE\_PORT*** environment variables are set up automatically from the database service definition in the OpenShift application template, while the others are configured in the template directly as **env** entries in container definitions under each pod template.

### 6.6.1.3. Examples

These examples show how value of the ***DB\_SERVICE\_PREFIX\_MAPPING*** environment variable influences datasource creation.

#### 6.6.1.3.1. Single Mapping

Consider value **test-postgresql=TEST**.

This creates a datasource with **java:jboss/datasources/test\_postgresql** name. Additionally, all the required settings like password and username are expected to be provided as environment variables with the **TEST\_** prefix, for example **TEST\_USERNAME** and **TEST\_PASSWORD**.

#### 6.6.1.3.2. Multiple Mappings

You can specify multiple database mappings.

**NOTE**

Always separate multiple datasource mappings with a comma.

Consider the following value for the **DB\_SERVICE\_PREFIX\_MAPPING** environment variable: **cloud-postgresql=CLLOUD, test-mysql=TEST\_MYSQL**.

This creates the following two datasources:

1. **java:jboss/datasources/test\_mysql**
2. **java:jboss/datasources/cloud\_postgresql**

Then you can use **TEST\_MYSQL** prefix for configuring things like the username and password for the MySQL datasource, for example **TEST\_MYSQL\_USERNAME**. And for the PostgreSQL datasource, use the **CLLOUD\_** prefix, for example **CLLOUD\_USERNAME**.

## 6.7. CLUSTERING

To enable JBoss EAP clustering on OpenShift, configure the JGroups protocol stack in your JBoss EAP configuration to use either the **openshift.KUBE\_PING** or **openshift.DNS\_PING** discovery mechanism.

Although you can use a custom **standalone-openshift.xml** configuration file, it is recommended that you [use environment variables](#) to configure JGroups in your image build.

The instructions below use environment variables to configure the discovery mechanism for the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

**IMPORTANT**

The **openshift.KUBE\_PING** discovery mechanism is the default mechanism when provisioning an application on top of the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image directly. However, the **openshift.DNS\_PING** is the default discovery mechanism when using one of the available application templates to deploy an application on top of the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

The **openshift.DNS\_PING** and **openshift.KUBE\_PING** discovery mechanisms are not compatible with each other. It is not possible to form a supercluster out of two independent child clusters, with one using the **openshift.DNS\_PING** mechanism for discovery and the other using the **openshift.KUBE\_PING** mechanism. Similarly, when performing a rolling upgrade, the discovery mechanism needs to be identical for both the source and the target clusters.

### 6.7.1. Configuring KUBE\_PING

To use the **KUBE\_PING** JGroups discovery mechanism:

1. The JGroups protocol stack must be configured to use **KUBE\_PING** as the discovery mechanism.  
You can do this by setting the **JGROUPS\_PING\_PROTOCOL** environment variable to **openshift.KUBE\_PING**:

```
JGROUPS_PING_PROTOCOL=openshift.KUBE_PING
```



- 2. The **OPENSIFT\_KUBE\_PING\_NAMESPACE** environment variable must be set to your OpenShift project name. If not set, the server behaves as a single-node cluster (a "cluster of one"). For example:

```
OPENSIFT_KUBE_PING_NAMESPACE=PROJECT_NAME
```

- 3. The **OPENSIFT\_KUBE\_PING\_LABELS** environment variable should be set. This should match the [label set at the service level](#). If not set, pods outside of your application (albeit in your namespace) will try to join. For example:

```
OPENSIFT_KUBE_PING_LABELS=application=APP_NAME
```

- 4. Authorization must be granted to the service account the pod is running under to be allowed to access Kubernetes' REST API. This is done using the OpenShift CLI. The following example uses the [default](#) service account in the current project's namespace:

```
oc policy add-role-to-user view system:serviceaccount:$(oc project -q):default -n $(oc project -q)
```

Using the **eap-service-account** in the project namespace:

```
oc policy add-role-to-user view system:serviceaccount:$(oc project -q):eap-service-account -n $(oc project -q)
```



#### NOTE

See [Prepare OpenShift for Application Deployment](#) for more information on adding policies to service accounts.

### 6.7.2. Configuring DNS\_PING

To use the **DNS\_PING** JGroups discovery mechanism:

- 1. The JGroups protocol stack must be configured to use **DNS\_PING** as the discovery mechanism. You can do this by setting the **JGROUPS\_PING\_PROTOCOL** environment variable to **openshift.DNS\_PING**:

```
JGROUPS_PING_PROTOCOL=openshift.DNS_PING
```

- 2. The **OPENSIFT\_DNS\_PING\_SERVICE\_NAME** environment variable must be set to the name of the ping service for the cluster. If not set, the server will act as if it is a single-node cluster (a "cluster of one").

```
OPENSIFT_DNS_PING_SERVICE_NAME=PING_SERVICE_NAME
```

- 3. The **OPENSIFT\_DNS\_PING\_SERVICE\_PORT** environment variable should be set to the port number on which the ping service is exposed. The **DNS\_PING** protocol attempts to discern the port from the SRV records, otherwise it defaults to **8888**.

```
OPENSIFT_DNS_PING_SERVICE_PORT=PING_PORT
```

4. A ping service which exposes the ping port must be defined. This service should be headless (ClusterIP=None) and must have the following:
  - a. The port must be named.
  - b. The service must be annotated with **service.alpha.kubernetes.io/tolerate-unready-endpoints** set to **"true"**.



#### NOTE

Omitting this annotation will result in each node forming their own "cluster of one" during startup, then merging their cluster into the other nodes' clusters after startup, as the other nodes are not detected until after they have started.

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
spec:
  clusterIP: None
  ports:
    - name: ping
      port: 8888
  selector:
    deploymentConfig: eap-app
metadata:
  name: eap-app-ping
  annotations:
    service.alpha.kubernetes.io/tolerate-unready-endpoints:
      "true"
  description: "The JGroups ping port for clustering."
```



#### NOTE

**DNS\_PING** does not require any modifications to the service account and works using the default permissions.

## 6.8. MESSAGING

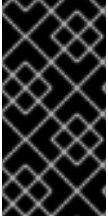
### 6.8.1. Configuring External Red Hat AMQ Brokers

You can configure the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image with environment variables to connect to external Red Hat AMQ brokers.

#### Example OpenShift Application Definition

The following example uses a template to create a JBoss EAP application connected to an external Red Hat AMQ 7 broker.

```
oc new-app eap72-amq-s2i \
-p APPLICATION_NAME=eap72-mq \
-p MQ_USERNAME=MY_USERNAME \
-p MQ_PASSWORD=MY_PASSWORD
```



## IMPORTANT

The template used in this example provides valid default values for the required parameters. If you do not use a template and provide your own parameters, be aware that the **MQ\_SERVICE\_PREFIX\_MAPPING** name must match the **APPLICATION\_NAME** name, appended with "-amq7=MQ".

## 6.9. SECURITY DOMAINS

To configure a new Security Domain, the user must define the **SECDOMAIN\_NAME** environment variable.

This results in the creation of a security domain named after the environment variable. The user may also define the following environment variables to customize the domain:

**Table 6.5. Security Domains**

Variable name	Description
SECDOMAIN_NAME	Defines an additional security domain.  Example value: <b>myDomain</b>
SECDOMAIN_PASSWORD_STACKING	If defined, the <b>password-stacking</b> module option is enabled and set to the value <b>useFirstPass</b> .  Example value: <b>true</b>
SECDOMAIN_LOGIN_MODULE	The login module to be used.  Defaults to <b>UsersRoles</b>
SECDOMAIN_USERS_PROPERTIES	The name of the properties file containing user definitions.  Defaults to <b>users.properties</b>
SECDOMAIN_ROLES_PROPERTIES	The name of the properties file containing role definitions.  Defaults to <b>roles.properties</b>

## 6.10. HTTPS ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

Variable name	Description
HTTPS_NAME	If defined along with <b>HTTPS_PASSWORD</b> and <b>HTTPS_KEYSTORE</b> , enables HTTPS and sets the SSL name.  Example value: <b>example.com</b>

Variable name	Description
HTTPS_PASSWORD	<p>If defined along with <b>HTTPS_NAME</b> and <b>HTTPS_KEYSTORE</b>, enables HTTPS and sets the SSL key password.</p> <p>Example value: <b>passw0rd</b></p>
HTTPS_KEYSTORE	<p>If defined along with <b>HTTPS_PASSWORD</b> and <b>HTTPS_NAME</b>, enables HTTPS and sets the SSL certificate key file to a relative path under <b>EAP_HOME/standalone/configuration</b></p> <p>Example value: <b>ssl.key</b></p>

## 6.11. ADMINISTRATION ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

Table 6.6. Administration Environment Variables

Variable name	Description
ADMIN_USERNAME	<p>If both this and <b>ADMIN_PASSWORD</b> are defined, used for the JBoss EAP management user name.</p> <p>Example value: <b>eapadmin</b></p>
ADMIN_PASSWORD	<p>The password for the specified <b>ADMIN_USERNAME</b>.</p> <p>Example value: <b>passw0rd</b></p>

## 6.12. S2I

The image includes S2I scripts and Maven.

Maven is currently only supported as a build tool for applications that are supposed to be deployed on JBoss EAP-based containers (or related/descendant images) on OpenShift.

Only WAR deployments are supported at this time.

### 6.12.1. Custom Configuration

It is possible to add custom configuration files for the image. All files put into **configuration/** directory will be copied into **EAP\_HOME/standalone/configuration/**. For example to override the default configuration used in the image, just add a custom **standalone-openshift.xml** into the **configuration/** directory. [See example](#) for such a deployment.

#### 6.12.1.1. Custom Modules

It is possible to add custom modules. All files from the **modules/** directory will be copied into **EAP\_HOME/modules/**. [See example](#) for such a deployment.

### 6.12.2. Deployment Artifacts

By default, artifacts from the source **target** directory will be deployed. To deploy from different directories set the **ARTIFACT\_DIR** environment variable in the BuildConfig definition. **ARTIFACT\_DIR** is a comma-delimited list. For example: **ARTIFACT\_DIR=app1/target, app2/target, app3/target**

### 6.12.3. Artifact Repository Mirrors

A repository in Maven holds build artifacts and dependencies of various types, for example, all of the project JARs, library JARs, plug-ins, or any other project specific artifacts. It also specifies locations from where to download artifacts while performing the S2I build. Besides using central repositories, it is a common practice for organizations to deploy a local custom mirror repository.

Benefits of using a mirror are:

- Availability of a synchronized mirror, which is geographically closer and faster.
- Ability to have greater control over the repository content.
- Possibility to share artifacts across different teams (developers, CI), without the need to rely on public servers and repositories.
- Improved build times.

Often, a repository manager can serve as local cache to a mirror. Assuming that the repository manager is already deployed and reachable externally at **http://10.0.0.1:8080/repository/internal/**, the S2I build can then use this manager by supplying the **MAVEN\_MIRROR\_URL** environment variable to the build configuration of the application as follows:

1. Identify the name of the build configuration to apply **MAVEN\_MIRROR\_URL** variable against.

```
oc get bc -o name
buildconfig/eap
```

2. Update build configuration of **eap** with a **MAVEN\_MIRROR\_URL** environment variable.

```
oc env bc/eap
MAVEN_MIRROR_URL="http://10.0.0.1:8080/repository/internal/"
buildconfig "eap" updated
```

3. Verify the setting.

```
oc env bc/eap --list
# buildconfigs eap
MAVEN_MIRROR_URL=http://10.0.0.1:8080/repository/internal/
```

4. Schedule new build of the application.



#### NOTE

During application build, you will notice that Maven dependencies are pulled from the repository manager, instead of the default public repositories. Also, after the build is finished, you will see that the mirror is filled with all the dependencies that were retrieved and used during the build.

### 6.12.4. Scripts

**run**

This script uses the **openshift-launch.sh** script that configures and starts JBoss EAP with the **standalone-openshift.xml** configuration.

**assemble**

This script uses Maven to build the source, create a package (WAR), and move it to the **EAP\_HOME/standalone/deployments** directory.

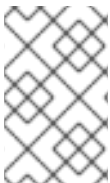
**6.12.5. Environment Variables**

You can influence the way the build is executed by supplying environment variables to the **s2i build** command. The environment variables that can be supplied are:

**Table 6.7. s2i Environment Variables**

Variable name	Description
ARTIFACT_DIR	The <b>.war</b> , <b>.ear</b> , and <b>.jar</b> files from this directory will be copied into the <b>deployments/</b> directory.  Example value: <b>target</b>
HTTP_PROXY_HOST	Host name or IP address of a HTTP proxy for Maven to use.  Example value: <b>192.168.1.1</b>
HTTP_PROXY_PORT	TCP Port of a HTTP proxy for Maven to use.  Example value: <b>8080</b>
HTTP_PROXY_USERNAME	If supplied with <b>HTTP_PROXY_PASSWORD</b> , use credentials for HTTP proxy.  Example value: <b>myusername</b>
HTTP_PROXY_PASSWORD	If supplied with <b>HTTP_PROXY_USERNAME</b> , use credentials for HTTP proxy.  Example value: <b>mypassword</b>
HTTP_PROXY_NONPROXYHOSTS	If supplied, a configured HTTP proxy will ignore these hosts.  Example value: <b>some.example.org *.example.net</b>
MAVEN_ARGS	Overrides the arguments supplied to Maven during build.  Example value: <b>-e -Popenshift -DskipTests -Dcom.redhat.xpaas.repo.redhatga package</b>
MAVEN_ARGS_APPEND	Appends user arguments supplied to Maven during build.  Example value: <b>-Dfoo=bar</b>

Variable name	Description
MAVEN_MIRROR_URL	URL of a Maven Mirror/repository manager to configure.  Example value: <b>http://10.0.0.1:8080/repository/internal/</b>
MAVEN_CLEAR_REPO	Optionally clear the local Maven repository after the build.  Example value: <b>true</b>
APP_DATADIR	If defined, directory in the source from where data files are copied.  Example value: <b>mydata</b>
DATA_DIR	Directory in the image where data from <b>\$APP_DATADIR</b> will be copied.  Example value: <b>EAP_HOME/data</b>

**NOTE**

For more information, see [Build and Run a Java Application on the JBoss EAP for OpenShift Image](#), which uses Maven and the S2I scripts included in the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

## 6.13. SSO

This image contains support for Red Hat JBoss SSO-enabled applications.

**NOTE**

See the [Red Hat JBoss SSO for OpenShift documentation](#) for more information on how to deploy the Red Hat JBoss SSO for OpenShift image with the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

**Table 6.8. SSO Environment Variables**

Variable name	Description
SSO_URL	URL of the SSO server.
SSO_REALM	SSO realm for the deployed applications.
SSO_PUBLIC_KEY	Public key of the SSO Realm. This field is optional but if omitted can leave the applications vulnerable to man-in-middle attacks.
SSO_USERNAME	SSO User required to access the SSO REST API.  Example value: <b>mySsoUser</b>

Variable name	Description
SSO_PASSWORD	Password for the SSO user defined by the <b>SSO_USERNAME</b> variable.  Example value: <b>6fedmL3P</b>
SSO_SAML_KEYSTORE	Keystore location for SAML. Defaults to <b>/etc/sso-saml-secret-volume/keystore.jks</b> .
SSO_SAML_KEYSTORE_PASSWORD	Keystore password for SAML. Defaults to <b>mykeystorepass</b> .
SSO_SAML_CERTIFICATE_NAME	Alias for keys/certificate to use for SAML. Defaults to <b>jboss</b> .
SSO_BEARER_ONLY	SSO Client Access Type. (Optional)  Example value: <b>true</b>
SSO_CLIENT	Path for SSO redirects back to the application. Defaults to match <b>module-name</b> .
SSO_ENABLE_CORS	If <b>true</b> , enable CORS for SSO applications. (Optional)
SSO_SECRET	The SSO Client Secret for Confidential Access.  Example value: <b>KZ1QyIq4</b>
SSO_SECURE_SSL_CONNECTIONS	If <b>true</b> , SSL communication between JBoss EAP and the SSO Server will be secure, for example, using curl to enable certificate validation.

## 6.14. TRANSACTION RECOVERY

When a cluster is scaled down, it is possible for transaction branches to be in doubt. There is a [technology preview automated recovery pod](#) that is meant to complete these branches, but there are rare scenarios, such as a network split, where the recovery may fail. In these cases, [manual transaction recovery](#) might be necessary.

### 6.14.1. Unsupported Transaction Recovery Scenarios

- JTS transactions  
Because the network endpoint of the parent is encoded in recovery coordinator IORs, recovery cannot work reliably if either the child or parent node recovers with either a new IP address, or if it is intended to be accessed using a virtualized IP address.
- XTS transactions  
XTS does not work in a clustered scenario for recovery purposes. See [JBTM-2742](#) for details.
- Transactions propagated over [JBoss Remoting](#)
- Transactions propagated over XATerminator



Because the EIS is intended to be connected to a single instance of a Java EE application server, there are no well-defined ways to couple these processes.

## 6.14.2. Manual Transaction Recovery Process

The goal of the following procedure is to find and manually resolve in-doubt branches in cases where automated recovery has failed.

### 6.14.2.1. Caveats

This procedure only describes how to manually recover transactions that were wholly self-contained within a single JVM. The procedure does not describe how to recover JTA transactions that have been propagated to other JVMs.



#### IMPORTANT

There are various network partition scenarios in which OpenShift might start multiple instances of the same pod with the same IP address and same node name and where, due to the partition, the old pod is still running. During manual recovery, this might result in a situation where you might be connected to a pod that has a stale view of the object store. If you think you are in this scenario, it is recommended that all JBoss EAP pods be shut down to ensure that none of the resource managers or object stores are in use.

When you enlist a resource in an XA transaction, it is your responsibility to ensure that each resource type is supported for recovery. For example, it is known that PostgreSQL and MySQL are well-behaved with respect to recovery, but for others, such as A-MQ and JDV resource managers, you should check documentation of the specific OpenShift release.

The deployment must use a [JDBC object store](#).



#### IMPORTANT

The transaction manager relies on the uniqueness of node identifiers. The maximum byte length of an XID is set by the XA specification and cannot be changed. Due to the data that the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image must include in the XID, this leaves room for 23 bytes in the node identifier.

OpenShift coerces the node identifier to fit this 23 byte limit:

- For all node names, even those under 23 bytes, the - (dash) character is stripped out.
- If the name is still over 23 bytes, characters are truncated from the beginning of the name until length of the name is within the 23 byte limit.

However, this process might impact the uniqueness of the identifier. For example, the names **aaa123456789012345678m0jwh** and **bbb123456789012345678m0jwh** are both truncated to **123456789012345678m0jwh**, which breaks the uniqueness of the names that are expected. In another example, **this-pod-is-m0jwh** and **thispod-is-m0jwh** are both truncated to **thispodism0jwh**, again breaking the uniqueness of the names.

It is your responsibility to ensure that the node names you configure are unique, keeping in mind the above truncation process.

### 6.14.2.2. Prerequisite

It is assumed the OpenShift instance has been configured with a JDBC store, and that the store tables are partitioned using a table prefix corresponding to the pod name. This should be automatic whenever a JBoss EAP deployment is in use. This is different from the [automated recovery example](#), which uses a file store with split directories on a shared volume. You can verify that the JBoss EAP instance is using a JDBC object store by looking at the configuration of the transactions subsystem in a running pod:

1. Determine if the `/opt/eap/standalone/configuration/openshift-standalone.xml` configuration file contains an element for the transaction subsystem:

```
<subsystem xmlns="urn:jboss:domain:transactions:3.0">
```

2. If the JDBC object store is in use, then there is an entry similar to the following:

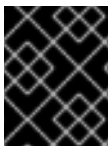
```
<jdbc-store datasource-jndi-  
name="java:jboss/datasources/jdbcstore_postgresql"/>
```



#### NOTE

The JNDI name identifies the datasource used to store the transaction logs.

### 6.14.2.3. Procedure



#### IMPORTANT

The following procedure details the process of manual transaction recovery solely for datasources.

1. Use the database vendor tooling to list the XIDs (transaction branch identifiers) for in-doubt branches. It is necessary to list XIDs *for all datasources that were in use by any deployments running on the pod* that failed or was scaled down. Refer to the vendor documentation for the database product in use.
2. For each such XID, determine which pod created the transaction and check to see if that pod is still running.
  - a. If it is running, then leave the branch alone.
  - b. If the pod is not running, assume it was removed from the cluster and you must apply the manual resolution procedure described here. Look in the transaction log storage that was used by the failed pod to see if there is a corresponding transaction log:
    - i. If there is a log, then manually commit the XID using the vendor tooling.
    - ii. If there is not a log, assume it is an orphaned branch and roll back the XID using the vendor tooling.

The rest of this procedure explains in detail how to carry out each of these steps.

#### 6.14.2.3.1. Resolving In-doubt Branches

First, find all the resources that the deployment is using.

It is recommended that you do this using the JBoss EAP management CLI. Although the resources should be defined in the JBoss EAP **standalone-openshift.xml** configuration file, there are other ways they can be made available to the transaction subsystem within the application server. For example, this can be done using a file in a deployment, or dynamically using the management CLI at runtime.

1. Open a terminal on a pod running a JBoss EAP instance in the cluster of the failed pod. If there is no such pod, scale up to one.
2. Create a management user using the `/opt/eap/bin/add-user.sh` script.
3. Log into the management CLI using the `/opt/eap/bin/jboss-cli.sh` script.
4. List the datasources configured on the server. These are the ones that may contain in-doubt transaction branches.

```
/subsystem=datasources:read-resource
{
  "outcome" => "success",
  "result" => {
    "data-source" => {
      "ExampleDS" => undefined,
      ...
    },
    ...
  }
}
```

5. Once you have the list, find the connection URL for each of the datasources. For example:

```
/subsystem=datasources/data-source=ExampleDS:read-attribute(name=connection-url)
{
  "outcome" => "success",
  "result" => "jdbc:h2:mem:test;DB_CLOSE_DELAY=-1;DB_CLOSE_ON_EXIT=FALSE",
  "response-headers" => {"process-state" => "restart-required"}
}
```

6. Connect to each datasource and list any in-doubt transaction branches.



## NOTE

The table name that stores in-doubt branches will be different for each datasource vendor.

JBoss EAP has a default SQL query tool (H2) that you can use to check each database. For example:

```
java -cp
/opt/eap/modules/system/layers/base/com/h2database/h2/main/h2-
1.3.173.jar \
-url "jdbc:postgresql://localhost:5432/postgres" \
```

```
-user sa \
-password sa \
-sql "select gid from pg_prepared_xacts;"
```

Alternatively, you can use the resource's native tooling. For example, for a PostgreSQL datasource called **sampledb**, you can use the OpenShift client tools to remotely log in to the pod and query the in-doubt transaction table:

```
$ oc rsh postgresql-2-vwf9n # rsh to the named pod
sh-4.2$ psql sampledb
psql (9.5.7)
Type "help" for help.

sampledb=# select gid from pg_prepared_xacts;
131077_AAAAAAAAAAAAAAP//rBEAB440GK1aJ72oAAAAGHAtanRhLWNyYXNoLXJlYy0zL
XAYY2N3_AAAAAAAAAAAAAAP//rBEAB440GK1aJ72oAAAAGgAAAAEAAAAA
```

#### 6.14.2.3.2. Extract the Global Transaction ID and Node Identifier from Each XID

When all XIDs for in-doubt branches are identified, convert the XIDs into a format that you can compare to the logs stored in the transaction tables of the transaction manager.

For example, the following Bash script can be used to perform this conversion. Assuming that **\$PG\_XID** holds the XID from the [select statement](#) above, then the JBoss EAP transaction ID can be obtained as follows:

```
PG_XID="$1"
IFS='_' read -ra lines <<< "$PG_XID"
[[ "${lines[0]}" = 131077 ]] || exit 0; # this script only works for our
own FORMAT ID
PG_TID=${lines[1]}

a=($(echo "$PG_TID" | base64 -d | xxd -ps | tr -d '\n' | while read -N16 i
; do echo 0x$i ; done))
b=($(echo "$PG_TID" | base64 -d | xxd -ps | tr -d '\n' | while read -N8 i ;
do echo 0x$i ; done))
c=("${b[@]:4}") # put the last 3 32-bit hexadecimal numbers into array c
# the negative elements of c need special handling since printf below only
works with positive
# hexadecimal numbers
for i in "${!c[@]}"; do
    arg=${c[$i]}
    # inspect the MSB to see if arg is negative - if so convert it from a
2's complement number
    [[ $((($arg>>31)) = 1 ]] && x=$(echo "obase=16; $((($arg - 0x100000000 ))"
| bc) || x=$arg
    if [[ ${x:0:1} = \- ]] ; then # see if the first character is a minus
sign
        neg[$i]="-";
        c[$i]=0x${x:1} # strip the minus sign and make it hex for use with
printf below
    else
        neg[$i]=" "
        c[$i]=$x
    fi
done
```

```
done
EAP_TID=$(printf %x:%x:${neg[0]}%x:${neg[1]}%x:${neg[2]}%x ${a[0]} ${a[1]}
${c[0]} ${c[1]} ${c[2]})
```

After completion, the **\$EAP\_TID** variable holds the global transaction ID of the transaction that created this XID. The node identifier of the pod that started the transaction is given by the output of the following bash command:

```
echo "$PG_TID" | base64 -d | tail -c +29
```



## NOTE

The node identifier starts from the 29th character of the PostgreSQL global transaction ID field.

- If this pod is [still running](#), then leave this in-doubt branch alone since the transaction is still in flight.
- If this pod is not running, then you need to search the relevant transaction log storage for the transaction log. The log storage is located in a JDBC table, which is named following the **os<node-identifier>jbosststxtable** pattern.
  - If there is no such table, leave the branch alone as it is owned by some other transaction manager. The URL for the datasource containing this table is defined in the transaction subsystem description shown below.
  - If there is such a table, look for an entry that matches the global transaction ID.
    - If there is an entry in the table that matches the global transaction ID, then the in-doubt branch needs to be committed using the datasource vendor tooling as described below.
    - If there is no such entry, then the branch is an orphan and can safely be rolled back.

An example of how to commit an in-doubt PostgreSQL branch is shown below:

```
$ oc rsh postgresql-2-vwf9n
sh-4.2$ psql sampledb
psql (9.5.7)
Type "help" for help.
psql sampledb
commit prepared '131077_AAAAAAAAAAAAAAP//rBEAB440GK1aJ72oAAAAGHAtanRh
----
LWNyYXNoLXJlYy0zLXAyY2N3_AAAAAAAAAAAAAAP//rBEAB440GK1aJ72oAAAAGgAAAAEAAAAA'
;
```



## IMPORTANT

Repeat this procedure for all datasources and in-doubt branches.

### 6.14.2.3.3. Obtain the List of Node Identifiers of All Running JBoss EAP Instances in Any Cluster that Can Contact the Resource Managers

Node identifiers are configured to be the same name as the pod name. You can obtain the pod names in use using the **oc** command. Use the following command to list the running pods:

```
$ oc get pods | grep Running
eap-manual-tx-recovery-app-4-26p4r    1/1      Running    0      23m
postgresql-2-vwf9n                  1/1      Running    0      41m
```

For each running pod, look in the output of the pod's log and obtain the node name. For example, for first pod shown in the above output, use the following command:

```
$ oc logs eap-manual-tx-recovery-app-4-26p4r | grep "jboss.node.name" |
head -1
jboss.node.name = tx-recovery-app-4-26p4r
```



## IMPORTANT

The aforementioned [JBoss node name identifier](#) will always be truncated to the maximum length of 23 characters in total by removing characters from the beginning and retaining the trailing characters until the maximum length of 23 characters is reached.

### 6.14.2.3.4. Find the Transaction Logs

1. The transaction logs reside in a JDBC-backed object store. The JNDI name of this store is defined in the **transaction** subsystem definition of the JBoss EAP configuration file.
2. Look in the configuration file to find the datasource definition corresponding to the above JNDI name.
3. Use the JNDI name to derive the connection URL.
4. You can use the URL to connect to the database and issue a **select** query on the relevant indoubt transaction table.  
Alternatively, if you know which pod the database is running on, and you know the name of the database, it might be easier to open an OpenShift remote shell into the pod and use the database tooling directly.

For example, if the JDBC store is hosted by a PostgreSQL database called **sampledb** running on pod **postgresql-2-vwf9n**, then you can find the transaction logs using the following commands:



## NOTE

The *ostxrecoveryapp426p4rjbossststxttable* table name listed in the following command has been chosen since it follows the [pattern for JDBC table names holding the log storage entries](#). In your environment the table name will have similar form:

- Starting with **os** prefix.
- The part in the middle is derived from the [JBoss node name above](#), possibly deleting the "-" (dash) character if present.
- Finally the **jbossststxttable** suffix is appended to create the final name of the table.

```

$ oc rsh postgresql-2-vwf9n
sh-4.2$ psql sampledb
psql (9.5.7)
Type "help" for help.

sampledb=# select uidstring from ostxrecoveryapp426p4rjbosststxttable
where
TYPENAME='StateManager/BasicAction/TwoPhaseCoordinator/AtomicAction'
;
               uidstring
-----
0:ffff0a81009d:33789827:5a68b2bf:40
(1 row)

```

#### 6.14.2.3.5. Cleaning Up the Transaction Logs for Reconciled In-doubt Branches



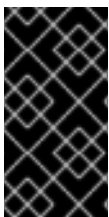
#### WARNING

Do not delete the log unless you are certain that there are no remaining in-doubt branches.

When all the branches for a given transaction are complete, and all potential resources managers have been checked, including A-MQ and JDV, it is safe to delete the transaction log.

Issue the following command, specify the transaction log to be removed using the appropriate **uidstring**:

```
DELETE FROM ostxrecoveryapp426p4rjbosststxttable where uidstring =
UIDSTRING
```



#### IMPORTANT

If you do not delete the log, then completed transactions which failed after prepare, but which have now been resolved, will never be removed from the transaction log storage. The consequence of this is that unnecessary storage is used and future manual reconciliation will be more difficult.

## 6.15. INCLUDED JBOSS MODULES

The table below lists included JBoss Modules in the JBoss EAP for OpenShift image.

**Table 6.9. Included JBoss Modules**

JBoss Module
org.jboss.as.clustering.common

JBoss Module
org.jboss.as.clustering.jgroups
org.jboss.as.ee
org.jboss.logmanager.ext
org.jgroups
org.mongodb
org.openshift.ping
org.postgresql
com.mysql
net.oauth.core

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