Cloud-Init

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Everything about cloud-init, a set of python scripts and utilities to make your cloud images be all they can be!
Cloud-init is the *de facto* multi-distribution package that handles early initialization of a cloud instance.

### Capabilities

- Setting a default locale
- Setting a instance hostname
- Generating instance ssh private keys
- Adding ssh keys to a users `.ssh/authorized_keys` so they can log in
- Setting up ephemeral mount points

### User configurability

Cloud-init 's behavior can be configured via user-data.

User-data can be given by the user at instance launch time.

This is done via the `--user-data` or `--user-data-file` argument to `ec2-run-instances` for example.

- Check your local clients documentation for how to provide a `user-data` string or `user-data` file for usage by cloud-init on instance creation.

### Availability

It is currently installed in the Ubuntu Cloud Images and also in the official Ubuntu images available on EC2, Azure, GCE and many other clouds.

Versions for other systems can be (or have been) created for the following distributions:
• Ubuntu
• Fedora
• Debian
• RHEL
• CentOS
• and more...

So ask your distribution provider where you can obtain an image with it built-in if one is not already available

**Formats**

User data that will be acted upon by cloud-init must be in one of the following types.

**Gzip Compressed Content**

Content found to be gzip compressed will be uncompressed. The uncompressed data will then be used as if it were not compressed. This is typically useful because user-data is limited to 16384 bytes.

**Mime Multi Part Archive**

This list of rules is applied to each part of this multi-part file. Using a mime-multi part file, the user can specify more than one type of data.

For example, both a user data script and a cloud-config type could be specified.

Supported content-types:

  - text/x-include-once-url
  - text/x-include-url
  - text/cloud-config-archive
  - text/upstart-job
  - text/cloud-config
  - text/part-handler
  - text/x-shellscript
  - text/cloud-boothook

**Helper script to generate mime messages**

```python
#!/usr/bin/python

import sys

from email.mime.multipart import MIMEMultipart
from email.mime.text import MIMEText
```

1 See your cloud provider for applicable user-data size limitations...
```python
if len(sys.argv) == 1:
    print("%s input-file:type ...") % (sys.argv[0]))
    sys.exit(1)

combined_message = MIMEMultipart()
for i in sys.argv[1:]
    (filename, format_type) = i.split(":", 1)
    with open(filename) as fh:
        contents = fh.read()
        sub_message = MIMEText(contents, format_type, sys.getdefaultencoding())
        sub_message.add_header('Content-Disposition', 'attachment; filename="%s"' % (filename))
        combined_message.attach(sub_message)

print(combined_message)
```

### User-Data Script

Typically used by those who just want to execute a shell script.

**Begins with:** `#!` or **Content-Type:** `text/x-shellscript` when using a MIME archive.

**Example**

```bash
$ cat myscript.sh
#!/bin/sh
echo "Hello World. The time is now $(date -R)!" | tee /root/output.txt
$ euca-run-instances --key mykey --user-data-file myscript.sh ami-a07d95c9
```

### Include File

This content is an **include** file.

The file contains a list of urls, one per line. Each of the URLs will be read, and their content will be passed through this same set of rules. Ie, the content read from the URL can be gzipped, mime-multi-part, or plain text.

**Begins with:** `#include` or **Content-Type:** `text/x-include-url` when using a MIME archive.

### Cloud Config Data

Cloud-config is the simplest way to accomplish some things via user-data. Using cloud-config syntax, the user can specify certain things in a human friendly format.

These things include:

- apt upgrade should be run on first boot
- a different apt mirror should be used
- additional apt sources should be added
- certain ssh keys should be imported
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• and many more...

Note: The file must be valid yaml syntax.

See the Cloud config examples section for a commented set of examples of supported cloud config formats.

Begins with: #cloud-config or Content-Type: text/cloud-config when using a MIME archive.

Upstart Job

Content is placed into a file in /etc/init, and will be consumed by upstart as any other upstart job.

Begins with: #upstart-job or Content-Type: text/upstart-job when using a MIME archive.

Cloud Boothook

This content is boothook data. It is stored in a file under /var/lib/cloud and then executed immediately. This is the earliest hook available. Note, that there is no mechanism provided for running only once. The boothook must take care of this itself. It is provided with the instance id in the environment variable INSTANCE_I. This could be made use of to provide a ‘once-per-instance’ type of functionality.

Begins with: #cloud-boothook or Content-Type: text/cloud-boothook when using a MIME archive.

Part Handler

This is a part-handler. It will be written to a file in /var/lib/cloud/data based on its filename (which is generated). This must be python code that contains a list_types method and a handle_type method. Once the section is read the list_types method will be called. It must return a list of mime-types that this part-handler handles.

The handle_type method must be like:

```python
def handle_part(data, ctype, filename, payload):
    # data = the cloudinit object
    # ctype = "__begin__", "__end__", or the mime-type of the part that is being handled.
    # filename = the filename of the part (or a generated filename if none is present in mime data)
    # payload = the parts' content
```

Cloud-init will then call the handle_type method once at begin, once per part received, and once at end. The begin and end calls are to allow the part handler to do initialization or teardown.

Begins with: #part-handler or Content-Type: text/part-handler when using a MIME archive.

Example

```python
#part-handler
# vi: syntax=python ts=4
def list_types():
    # return a list of mime-types that are handled by this module
    return ("text/plain", "text/go-cubs-go")
```
```python
def handle_part(data, ctype, filename, payload):
    # data: the cloudinit object
    # ctype: '__begin__', '__end__', or the specific mime-type of the part
    # filename: the filename for the part, or dynamically generated part if
    #   no filename is given attribute is present
    # payload: the content of the part (empty for begin or end)
    if ctype == '__begin__':
        print "my handler is beginning"
        return
    if ctype == '__end__':
        print "my handler is ending"
        return

    print "==== received ctype=%s filename=%s ====
    print payload
    print "==== end ctype=%s filename=%s" % (ctype, filename)
```

Also this blog post offers another example for more advanced usage.

## Directory layout

Cloudinit's directory structure is somewhat different from a regular application:

```
/var/lib/cloud/
  - data/
    - instance-id
    - previous-instance-id
    - datasource
    - previous-datasource
    - previous-hostname
    - handlers/
      - instance
      - instances/
        i-00000XYZ/
          - boot-finished
          - cloud-config.txt
          - datasource
          - handlers/
            - obj.pkl
          - scripts/
            - sem/
            - user-data.txt
            - user-data.txt.i
          - scripts/
            - per-boot/
            - per-instance/
            - per-once/
          - seed/
          - sem/

/var/lib/cloud
```

The main directory containing the cloud-init specific subdirectories. It is typically located at /var/lib but there are certain configuration scenarios where this can be altered.

TBD, describe this overriding more.

1.4. Directory layout
data/

Contains information related to instance ids, datasources and hostnames of the previous and current instance if they are different. These can be examined as needed to determine any information related to a previous boot (if applicable).

handlers/

Custom part-handlers code is written out here. Files that end up here are written out with in the scheme of part-handler-XYZ where XYZ is the handler number (the first handler found starts at 0).

instance

A symlink to the current instances/ subdirectory that points to the currently active instance (which is active is dependent on the datasource loaded).

instances/

All instances that were created using this image end up with instance identifier subdirectories (and corresponding data for each instance). The currently active instance will be symlinked to the instance symlink file defined previously.

scripts/

Scripts that are downloaded/created by the corresponding part-handler will end up in one of these subdirectories.

seed/

TBD

sem/

Cloud-init has a concept of a module semaphore, which basically consists of the module name and its frequency. These files are used to ensure a module is only ran per-once, per-instance, per-always. This folder contains semaphore files which are only supposed to run per-once (not tied to the instance id).

Cloud config examples

Including users and groups

```
# Add groups to the system
# The following example adds the ubuntu group with members foo and bar and
# the group cloud-users.
groups:
  - ubuntu: [foo,bar]
  - cloud-users

# Add users to the system. Users are added after groups are added.
users:
  - default
  - name: foobar
gcos: Foo B. Bar
primary-group: foobar
groups: users
selinux-user: staff_u
expiredate: 2012-09-01
ssh-import-id: foobar
lock_passwd: false
```
```
  passwd: $6$sJ212wezy$7H/11T4f9/
  --N3wpGNumhsIqtMj6Z0K1SnyNwuizouQc3u7MbYCarYeAHWYPyb2FT.1bioDm2RrkJPb9BZMN10/
  - name: barfoo
    gecos: Bar B. Foo
    sudo: ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL
    groups: users, admin
    ssh-import-id: None
    lock_passwd: true
    ssh-authorized-keys:
      - <ssh pub key 1>
      - <ssh pub key 2>
  - name: cloudy
    gecos: Magic Cloud App Daemon User
    inactive: true
    system: true
    - snapuser: joe@joeuser.io

# Valid Values:
# name: The user's login name
# gecos: The user name's real name, i.e. "Bob B. Smith"
# homedir: Optional. Set to the local path you want to use. Defaults to
# /home/<username>
# primary-group: define the primary group. Defaults to a new group created
# named after the user.
# groups: Optional. Additional groups to add the user to. Defaults to none
# selinux-user: Optional. The SELinux user for the user's login, such as
# "staff_u". When this is omitted the system will select the default
# SELinux user.
# lock_passwd: Defaults to true. Lock the password to disable password login
# inactive: Create the user as inactive
# passwd: The hash -- not the password itself -- of the password you want
# to use for this user. You can generate a safe hash via:
# mkpasswd --method=SHA-512 --rounds=4096
# (the above command would create from stdin an SHA-512 password hash
# with 4096 salt rounds)
# Please note: while the use of a hashed password is better than
# plain text, the use of this feature is not ideal. Also, using a high number of salting rounds will help, but it should
# not be relied upon.
# To highlight this risk, running John the Ripper against the
# example hash above, with a readily available wordlist, revealed
# the true password in 12 seconds on a i7-2620QM.
# In other words, this feature is a potential security risk and is
# provided for your convenience only. If you do not fully trust the
# medium over which your cloud-config will be transmitted, then you
# should use SSH authentication only.
# You have thus been warned.
# no-create-home: When set to true, do not create home directory.
# no-user-group: When set to true, do not create a group named after the user.
# no-log-init: When set to true, do not initialize lastlog and faillog database.
# ssh-import-id: Optional. Import SSH ids
# ssh-authorized-keys: Optional. [list] Add keys to user's authorized keys file
# sudo: Defaults to none. Set to the sudo string you want to use, i.e.
# ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL. To add multiple rules, use the following
```

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```yaml
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# format.
# sudo:
#   - ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:/bin/mysql
#   - ALL=(ALL) ALL
# Note: Please double check your syntax and make sure it is valid.
# cloud-init does not parse/check the syntax of the sudo directive.
# system: Create the user as a system user. This means no home directory.
# snapuser: Create a Snappy (Ubuntu-Core) user via the snap create-user command available on Ubuntu systems. If the user has an account on the Ubuntu SSO, specifying the email will allow snap to request a username and any public ssh keys and will import these into the system with username specified by SSO account. If 'username' is not set in SSO, then username will be the shortname before the email domain.

# Default user creation:
#
# Unless you define users, you will get a 'ubuntu' user on ubuntu systems with the legacy permission (no password sudo, locked user, etc). If however, you want to have the 'ubuntu' user in addition to other users, you need to instruct cloud-init that you also want the default user. To do this use the following syntax:
# users:
# - default
# - bob
# - ....
# foobar: ...
#
# users[0] (the first user in users) overrides the user directive.
#
# The 'default' user above references the distro's config:
# system_info:
# default_user:
#   name: Ubuntu
#   plain_text_passwd: 'ubuntu'
#   home: /home/ubuntu
#   shell: /bin/bash
#   lock_passwd: True
#   gecos: Ubuntu
#   groups: [adm, audio, cdrom, dialout, floppy, video, plugdev, dip, netdev]

# Writing out arbitrary files

#cloud-config
# vim: syntax=yaml
#
# This is the configuration syntax that the write_files module will know how to understand. encoding can be given b64 or gzip or (gz+b64). The content will be decoded accordingly and then written to the path that is provided.
#
# Note: Content strings here are truncated for example purposes.
write_files:
    - encoding: b64
```

Chapter 1. Summary
Adding a yum repository

```yaml
#cloud-config
# vim: syntax=yaml
#
# Add yum repository configuration to the system
#
# The following example adds the file /etc/yum.repos.d/epel_testing.repo
# which can then subsequently be used by yum for later operations.
yum_repos:
  epel-testing:
    # Any repository configuration options
    # See: man yum.conf
    #
    # This one is required!
    baseurl: http://download.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/testing/5/$basearch
    enabled: false
    failovermethod: priority
    gpgcheck: true
    gpgkey: file:///etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-EPEL
    name: Extra Packages for Enterprise Linux 5 - Testing
```

Configure an instances trusted CA certificates

```yaml
#cloud-config
#
# This is an example file to configure an instance's trusted CA certificates
# system-wide for SSL/TLS trust establishment when the instance boots for the
# first time.
#
# Make sure that this file is valid yaml before starting instances.
```
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# It should be passed as user-data when starting the instance.

certs:
  # If present and set to True, the 'remove-defaults' parameter will remove
  # all the default trusted CA certificates that are normally shipped with
  # Ubuntu.
  # This is mainly for paranoid admins - most users will not need this
  # functionality.
  remove-defaults: true

  # If present, the 'trusted' parameter should contain a certificate (or list
  # of certificates) to add to the system as trusted CA certificates.
  # Pay close attention to the YAML multiline list syntax. The example shown
  # here is for a list of multiline certificates.
  trusted:
    - |
        -----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
        YOUR-ORG-TRUSTED-CA-CERT-HERE
        -----END CERTIFICATE-----
    - |
        -----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
        YOUR-ORG-TRUSTED-CA-CERT-HERE
        -----END CERTIFICATE-----

Configure an instances resolv.conf

Note: when using a config drive and a RHEL like system resolv.conf will also be managed ‘automatically’ due to the available information provided for dns servers in the config drive network format. For those that wish to have different settings use this module.

#cloud-config
#
# This is an example file to automatically configure resolv.conf when the
# instance boots for the first time.
#
# Ensure that your yaml is valid and pass this as user-data when starting
# the instance. Also be sure that your cloud.cfg file includes this
# configuration module in the appropriate section.
#
manage-resolv-conf: true

resolv_conf:
  nameservers: ['8.8.4.4', '8.8.8.8']
  searchdomains:
    - foo.example.com
    - bar.example.com
  domain: example.com
  options:
    rotate: true
    timeout: 1
Install and run chef recipes

```yaml
#cloud-config
#
# This is an example file to automatically install chef-client and run a list of recipes when the instance boots for the first time.
# Make sure that this file is valid yaml before starting instances.
# It should be passed as user-data when starting the instance.
#
# This example assumes the instance is 12.04 (precise)
#
# The default is to install from packages.
#
# Key from http://apt.opscode.com/packages@opscode.com.gpg.key
apt:
  sources:
    - source: "deb http://apt.opscode.com/ $RELEASE-0.10 main"

chef:
  install_type: "packages"

  force_install: false
```

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# Chef settings

server_url: "https://chef.yourorg.com:4000"

# Node Name

# Defaults to the instance-id if not present

node_name: "your-node-name"

# Environment

# Defaults to '_default' if not present

environment: "production"

# Default validation name is chef-validator

validation_name: "yourorg-validator"

# if validation_cert's value is "system" then it is expected
# that the file already exists on the system.

validation_cert: |
    -----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
    YOUR-ORG'S-VALIDATION-KEY-HERE
    -----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----

# A run list for a first boot json

run_list:
  - "recipe[apache2]"
  - "role[db]"

# Specify a list of initial attributes used by the cookbooks

initial_attributes:
    apache:
        prefork:
            maxclients: 100
            keepalive: "off"

# if install_type is 'omnibus', change the url to download

omnibus_url: "https://www.opscode.com/chef/install.sh"

# Capture all subprocess output into a logfile

# Useful for troubleshooting cloud-init issues

output: {all: '| tee -a /var/log/cloud-init-output.log'}

---

Setup and run puppet

#cloud-config

# This is an example file to automatically setup and run puppetd
# when the instance boots for the first time.
# Make sure that this file is valid yaml before starting instances.
# It should be passed as user-data when starting the instance.

puppet:
  # Every key present in the conf object will be added to puppet.conf:
  # [name]
  # subkey=value
  #
  # For example the configuration below will have the following section
  # added to puppet.conf:
Add apt repositories

```bash
#cloud-config

# Add apt repositories
#
# Default: auto select based on cloud metadata
# in ec2, the default is <region>.archive.ubuntu.com
# apt:
# primary:
#   - arches [default]
#   uri:
# use the provided mirror
# search:
# search the list for the first mirror.
# this is currently very limited, only verifying that
# the mirror is dns resolvable or an IP address
```
Run commands on first boot

```yaml
#cloud-config
# boot commands
# default: none
# this is very similar to runcmd, but commands run very early
# in the boot process, only slightly after a 'boothook' would run.
# bootcmd should really only be used for things that could not be
done later in the boot process. bootcmd is very much like
# boothook, but possibly with more friendly.
# - bootcmd will run on every boot
# - the INSTANCE_ID variable will be set to the current instance id.
# - you can use 'cloud-init-per' command to help only run once
bootcmd:
  - echo 192.168.1.130 us.archive.ubuntu.com >> /etc/hosts
  - [ cloud-init-per, once, mymkfs, mkfs, /dev/vdb ]
```

#cloud-config
# run commands
# default: none
# runcmd contains a list of either lists or a string
# each item will be executed in order at rc.local like level with
# output to the console
# - runcmd only runs during the first boot
# - if the item is a list, the items will be properly executed as if
#   passed to execve(3) (with the first arg as the command).
# - if the item is a string, it will be simply written to the file and
#   will be interpreted by 'sh'
#
# Note, that the list has to be proper yaml, so you have to quote
# any characters yaml would eat (':' can be problematic)

```
runcmd:
  - [ ls, -l, / ]
  - [ sh, -xc, "echo $(date) ': hello world!'" ]
  - [ sh, -c, echo "=========hello world'========" ]
  - ls -l /root
```

Alter the completion message

```
#cloud-config

# final_message
# default: cloud-init boot finished at $TIMESTAMP. Up $UPTIME seconds
# this message is written by cloud-final when the system is finished
# its first boot

final_message: "The system is finally up, after $UPTIME seconds"
```

Install arbitrary packages

```
#cloud-config

# Install additional packages on first boot
#
# Default: none
#
# if packages are specified, this apt_update will be set to true
#
# packages may be supplied as a single package name or as a list
# with the format [<package>, <version>] wherein the specific
# package version will be installed.

packages:
  - pwgen
  - pastebinit
  - [libpython2.7, 2.7.3-0ubuntu3.1]
```

Run apt or yum upgrade

```
#cloud-config

# Upgrade the instance on first boot
# (ie run apt-get upgrade)
```

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Adjust mount points mounted

```python
#cloud-config

# set up mount points
# 'mounts' contains a list of lists
# the inner list are entries for an /etc/fstab line
# ie : [ fs_spec, fs_file, fs_vfstype, fs_mntops, fs_freq, fs_passno ]
#
# default:
# mounts:
# - [ ephemeral0, /mnt ]
# - [ swap, none, swap, sw, 0, 0 ]
#
# in order to remove a previously listed mount (ie, one from defaults)
# list only the fs_spec. For example, to override the default, of
# mounting swap:
# - [ swap ]
# or
# - [ swap, null ]
#
# - if a device does not exist at the time, an entry will still be
# written to /etc/fstab.
# - '/dev' can be ommitted for device names that begin with: xvd, sd, hd, vd
# - if an entry does not have all 6 fields, they will be filled in
#   with values from 'mount_default_fields' below.
#
# Note, that you should set 'nofail' (see man fstab) for volumes that may not
# be attached at instance boot (or reboot).
#
# mounts:
- [ ephemeral0, /mnt, auto, "defaults,noexec" ]
- [ sdc, /opt/data ]
- [ xvdh, /opt/data, "auto", "defaults,nofail", "0", "0" ]
- [ dd, /dev/zero ]

# mount_default_fields
# These values are used to fill in any entries in 'mounts' that are not
# complete. This must be an array, and must have 7 fields.
mount_default_fields: [ None, None, "auto", "defaults,nofail", "0", "2" ]

# swap can also be set up by the 'mounts' module
# default is to not create any swap files, because 'size' is set to 0
swap:
  filename: /swap.img
  size: "auto" # or size in bytes
  maxsize: size in bytes
```
Call a url when finished

```
#cloud-config

# phone_home: if this dictionary is present, then the phone_home
# cloud-config module will post specified data back to the given
# url
# default: none
# phone_home:
# url: http://my.foo.bar/$INSTANCE/
# post: all
# tries: 10
#
phone_home:
url: http://my.example.com/$INSTANCE_ID/
post: [pub_key_dsa, pub_key_rsa, pub_key_ecdsa, instance_id]
```

Reboot/poweroff when finished

```
#cloud-config

## poweroff or reboot system after finished
# default: none
#
# power_state can be used to make the system shutdown, reboot or
# halt after boot is finished. This same thing can be acheived by
# user-data scripts or by runcmd by simply invoking 'shutdown'.
#
# Doing it this way ensures that cloud-init is entirely finished with
# modules that would be executed, and avoids any error/log messages
# that may go to the console as a result of system services like
# syslog being taken down while cloud-init is running.
#
# If you delay '+5' (5 minutes) and have a timeout of
# 120 (2 minutes), then the max time until shutdown will be 7 minutes.
# cloud-init will invoke 'shutdown +5' after the process finishes, or
# when 'timeout' seconds have elapsed.
#
# delay: form accepted by shutdown. default is 'now'. other format
# accepted is *m (m in minutes)
# mode: required. must be one of 'poweroff', 'halt', 'reboot'
# message: provided as the message argument to 'shutdown'. default is none.
# timeout: the amount of time to give the cloud-init process to finish
# before executing shutdown.
# condition: apply state change only if condition is met.
# May be boolean True (always met), or False (never met),
# or a command string or list to be executed.
# command's exit code indicates:
# 0: condition met
# 1: condition not met
# other exit codes will result in 'not met', but are reserved
# for future use.
#
power_state:
delay: "+30"
mode: poweroff
```
Configure instances ssh-keys

```yaml
#cloud-config

# add each entry to ~/.ssh/authorized_keys for the configured user or the
# first user defined in the user definition directive.
ssh AuthorizedKeys:
- ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAGAQ3...29
  mykey@host
- ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAGAE...
  +i1D+ey3ONkZLN+LQ714cjg8fRS4h29ScmXp5Kt5/82cD/VN3NhW== smoser@brickies

# Send pre-generated ssh private keys to the server
# If these are present, they will be written to /etc/ssh and
# new random keys will not be generated
# in addition to 'rsa' and 'dsa' as shown below, 'ecdsa' is also supported

rsa_private: |
  -----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
  MIIBxwIBAAJhAKD0YSHy73nUgys012SsJmd4fHiFyQ+00R7VVu2iV9Qcon2LZS/x
  lcydpZ49QpfjEhea5Xw26o8c1/Ea/w0n+OHGpwxaw1EG229inNtj3pqPrYcRztFeCb
  1jc6Hiib2bAzwtIBwWq80H7wjmcmvcpZ80w5vwTwAguO2TkR6mpHsgbSyG6jo
  PUJn2ZWRuwa/HX0KYGhz19nPzlpxG5fOfYah1MJAyc13FV7k6MBPXR6FxyHeg
  10MPc7cdqAoVNCpY6A7AjeA1BnAI0zF2af2X0j70MhQuc4zP7r80zaGc5oy6W
  p58hRancFKEvNeQe2Cle3tvu3AjeAwhN6pNaBYTRCPHM7r2Ug/iBtw8Rxhc91w5
  ivx9Gg+pFGLwzUSBPS/XhekijPAJ2A5s5rVMe+D8255ls65QbgYhJmTzIXQ2T9
  luvc9mBc6135uc4gTtgg4ALamXl71MCMGMpSwpEvugInayTCL+vEjMNB+fadO
  W7D4zgCp143jR8J90U6JVoEsScDok2wi3AiwCtb/6uc8Cq85D9YqP10FUHjkPnP
  REPPyOYAsddeOAV+6VKRavstea7+2DZsmUgE
  -----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----

rsa_public: ssh-rsa
  AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAGAQ3...29

dsa_private: |
  -----BEGIN DSA PRIVATE KEY-----
  MIIBwIBAAKBBQGDP2HLu7pTExl89USyM0264RCyWX/CMlmukkx0Jdbm29ax8FBJT
  plr08ITIIY5rPAjm1DThnpuyJoVoV9G7MBtPUAmtsJh4GVSh1aCfycwcpLw9TX
  DgWs1p+Sj6ElHCyA1Bh/CBp9Riab+10QcFbm+lapuET+/Au6vSPd91Rt1QIVA1MR
  8KucvYuBE1y+v+5SL9u3z/BAoGBAI0q6Jp+JvJmWhFeCMVMVxXUbiSkOv/P1lsa
  LNNNBZ25/8M0U1m8rB2F6ziidufuJeqTMqWnSA1BECwcnwreUnGFrRoJpyPNENY
  d15G6N5J+z81L6eCFHpeprzy+D3g69V9qTt3hKkwCDQ0Z40aPezbNjPeFm4mH
  byXCCZ9GAoGAXmLIFSqg1APu459rCKxT46tHJtM0QUnIEnQlb1uefr/yi1D13
  8UzTCOLkHUA7ybmz2a+D/csj15SY9/BNfu07unzVhikCQV9DTExXX46pG45sloZ3JtC
  /QaYW2M27kTRv+wWov9MhG1vDML4ZNNfio5FkrgaAyngIy66PEMocQCFEIsKkW
  9zi1AH0KMBVtxy03F
  -----END DSA PRIVATE KEY-----
```
Additional apt configuration

```plaintext
# apt_pipelining (configure Acquire::http::Pipeline-Depth)
# Default: disables HTTP pipelining. Certain web servers, such
# as S3 do not pipeline properly (LP: #948461).
# Valid options:
#   False/default: Disables pipelining for APT
#   None/Unchanged: Use OS default
#   Number: Set pipelining to some number (not recommended)
apt_pipelining: False

## apt config via system_info:
# under the 'system_info', you can customize cloud-init's interaction
# with apt.
# system_info:
#   apt_get_command: [command, argument, argument]
#   apt_get_upgrade_subcommand: dist-upgrade
#   apt_get_command:
# To specify a different 'apt-get' command, set 'apt_get_command'.
# This must be a list, and the subcommand (update, upgrade) is appended to it.
# default is:
#   ['apt-get', '--option=Dpkg::Options::=--force-confold',
#    '--option=Dpkg::options::=--force-unsafe-io', '--assume-yes', '--quiet']
#   apt_get_upgrade_subcommand: "dist-upgrade"
# Specify a different subcommand for 'upgrade. The default is 'dist-upgrade'.
# This is the subcommand that is invoked for package_upgrade.
# apt_get_wrapper:
#   command: eatmydata
#   enabled: [True, False, "auto"]
#
# Install additional packages on first boot
# Default: none
# if packages are specified, this apt_update will be set to true
packages: ['pastebininit']

apt:
  # The apt config consists of two major "areas"
  # On one hand there is the global configuration for the apt feature.
```

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# On one hand (down in this file) there is the source dictionary which allows
# to define various entries to be considered by apt.

# Section 1: global apt configuration
#
# The following examples number the top keys to ease identification in
# discussions.

# 1.1 preserve_sources_list
#
# Preserves the existing /etc/apt/sources.list
# Default: false - do overwrite sources_list. If set to true then any
# "mirrors" configuration will have no effect.
# Set to true to avoid affecting sources.list. In that case only
# "extra" source specifications will be written into
# /etc/apt/sources.list.d/*
# preserve_sources_list: true

# 1.2 disable_suites
#
# This is an empty list by default, so nothing is disabled.
# If given, those suites are removed from sources.list after all other
# modifications have been made.
# Suites are even disabled if no other modification was made,
# but not if is preserve_sources_list is active.
# There is a special alias "$RELEASE" as in the sources that will be replace
# by the matching release.
# To ease configuration and improve readability the following common ubuntu
# suites will be automatically mapped to their full definition.
# updates => $RELEASE-updates
# backports => $RELEASE-backports
# security => $RELEASE-security
# proposed => $RELEASE-proposed
# release => $RELEASE
# There is no harm in specifying a suite to be disabled that is not found in
# the source.list file (just a no-op then)
# Note: Lines don’t get deleted, but disabled by being converted to a comment.
# The following example disables all usual defaults except $RELEASE-security.
# On top it disables a custom suite called "mysuite"
disable_suites: [$RELEASE-updates, backports, $RELEASE, mysuite]

# 1.3 primary/security archives
#
# Default: none - instead it is auto select based on cloud metadata
# so if neither "uri" nor "search", nor "search_dns" is set (the default)
# then use the mirror provided by the DataSource found.
# In EC2, that means using <region>.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com
# define a custom (e.g. localized) mirror that will be used in sources.list
# and any custom sources entries for deb / deb-src lines.
# One can set primary and security mirror to different uri's
primary:
  # the child elements to the keys primary and secondary are equivalent
  arches: [amd64, i386, default]
  # arches is list of architectures the following config applies to
  # the special keyword "default" applies to any architecture not explicitly
  # listed.
  arches: [s390x, arm64]
  # security is optional, if not defined it is set to the same value as primary
uri: http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu
# uri is just defining the target as-is
  # arches is list of architectures the following config applies to
  # the special keyword "default" applies to any architecture not explicitly
  # listed.
  arches: [amd64, i386, default]
  # arches is list of architectures the following config applies to
  # the special keyword "default" applies to any architecture not explicitly
  # listed.
  arches: [s390x, arm64]
  # security is optional, if not defined it is set to the same value as primary
search:
  - http://cool.but-sometimes-unreachable.com/ubuntu
  - http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu
  # if no mirror is provided by uri or search but 'search_dns' is
  # true, then search for dns names '<distro>-mirror' in each of
  # - fqdn of this host per cloud metadata
  # - localdomain
  # - no domain (which would search domains listed in /etc/resolv.conf)
  # if there is a dns entry for <distro>-mirror, then it is assumed that
  # there is a distro mirror at http://<distro>-mirror.<domain>/<distro>
  # That gives the cloud provider the opportunity to set mirrors of a distro
  # up and expose them only by creating dns entries.
  # if none of that is found, then the default distro mirror is used
  search_dns: true
  # If multiple of a category are given
  # 1. uri
  # 2. search
  # 3. search_dns
  # the first defining a valid mirror wins (in the order as defined here,
  # not the order as listed in the config).
  # security:
  uri: http://security.ubuntu.com/ubuntu
  # If search_dns is set for security the searched pattern is:
  # <distro>-security-mirror
  # if no mirrors are specified at all, or all lookups fail it will try
  # to get them from the cloud datasource and if those neither provide one fall
  # back to:
  primary: http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu
  security: http://security.ubuntu.com/ubuntu
# 1.4 sources_list
# Provide a custom template for rendering sources.list
# without one provided cloud-init uses builtin templates for
# ubuntu and debian.
# Within these sources.list templates you can use the following replacement
# variables (all have sane Ubuntu defaults, but mirrors can be overwritten
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```
# as needed (see above):
# => $RELEASE, $MIRROR, $PRIMARY, $SECURITY
sources_list: |
  # written by cloud-init custom template
  deb $MIRROR $RELEASE main restricted
  deb-src $MIRROR $RELEASE main restricted
  deb $PRIMARY $RELEASE universe restricted
  deb $SECURITY $RELEASE-security multiverse

# 1.5 conf
#
# Any apt config string that will be made available to apt
# see the APT.CONF(5) man page for details what can be specified
conf: |
  APT {
    Get {
      Assume-Yes "true";
      Fix-Broken "true";
    };
  };

# 1.6 (http_|ftp_|https_)proxy
#
# Proxies are the most common apt.conf option, so that for simplified use
# there is a shortcut for those. Those get automatically translated into the
# correct Acquire::*::Proxy statements.
# note: proxy actually being a short synonym to http_proxy
proxy: http://[[user]][:pass]@[host][:port]/
http_proxy: http://[[user]][:pass]@[host][:port]/
ftp_proxy: ftp://[[user]][:pass]@[host][:port]/
https_proxy: https://[[user]][:pass]@[host][:port]/

# 1.7 add_apt_repo_match
#
# 'source' entries in apt-sources that match this python regex
# expression will be passed to add-apt-repository
# The following example is also the builtin default if nothing is specified
add_apt_repo_match: '^[\w-]+:\w'

##############################################################################
# Section 2: source list entries
#
# This is a dictionary (unlike most block/net which are lists)
#
# The key of each source entry is the filename and will be prepended by
# /etc/apt/sources.list.d/ if it doesn't start with a '/'.
# If it doesn't end with .list it will be appended so that apt picks up it's
# configuration.
#
# Whenever there is no content to be written into such a file, the key is
# not used as filename - yet it can still be used as index for merging
# configuration.
#
# The values inside the entries consist of the following optional entries:
# 'source': a sources.list entry (some variable replacements apply)
# 'keyid': providing a key to import via shortid or fingerprint
# 'key': providing a raw PGP key
```

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# 'keyserver': specify an alternate keyserver to pull keys from that
# were specified by keyid

# This allows merging between multiple input files than a list like:
# cloud-config1
# sources:
#   sl: {'key': 'key1', 'source': 'source1'}
# cloud-config2
# sources:
#   s2: {'key': 'key2'}
#   sl: {'keyserver': 'foo'}
# This would be merged to
# sources:
#   sl:
#     keyserver: foo
#     key: key1
#     source: source1
#   s2:
#     key: key2

# The following examples number the subfeatures per sources entry to ease
# identification in discussions.

sources:
  curtin-dev-ppa.list:
    # 2.1 source
    #
    # Creates a file in /etc/apt/sources.list.d/ for the sources list entry
    # based on the key: "/etc/apt/sources.list.d/curtin-dev-ppa.list"
    source: "deb http://ppa.launchpad.net/curtin-dev/test-archive/ubuntu xenial main
    ...

    # 2.2 keyid
    #
    # Importing a gpg key for a given key id. Used keyserver defaults to
    # keyserver.ubuntu.com
    keyid: F430BBA5 # GPG key ID published on a key server

ignored1:
  # 2.3 PPA shortcut
  #
  # Setup correct apt sources.list line and Auto-Import the signing key
  # from LP
  #
  # See https://help.launchpad.net/Packaging/PPA for more information
  # this requires 'add-apt-repository'. This will create a file in
  # /etc/apt/sources.list.d automatically, therefore the key here is
  # ignored as filename in those cases.
  source: "ppa:curtin-dev/test-archive"  # Quote the string

my-repo2.list:
  # 2.4 replacement variables
  #
  # sources can use $MIRROR, $PRIMARY, $SECURITY and $RELEASE replacement
  # variables.
  # They will be replaced with the default or specified mirrors and the
  # running release.

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# The entry below would be possibly turned into:
source: deb http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu xenial multiverse

my-repo3.list:
# this would have the same end effect as 'ppa:curtin-dev/test-archive'
source: "deb http://ppa.launchpad.net/curtin-dev/test-archive/ubuntu xenial main"
keyid: F430BBA5 # GPG key ID published on the key server
filename: curtin-dev-ppa.list

ignored2:
# 2.5 key only
#
# this would only import the key without adding a ppa or other source spec
# since this doesn't generate a source.list file the filename key is ignored
keyid: F430BBA5 # GPG key ID published on a key server

ignored3:
# 2.6 key id alternatives
#
# Keyid's can also be specified via their long fingerprints
keyid: B59D 5F15 97A5 04B7 E230 6DCA 0620 BBCF 0368 3F77

ignored4:
# 2.7 alternative keyservers
#
# One can also specify alternative keyservers to fetch keys from.
keyid: B59D 5F15 97A5 04B7 E230 6DCA 0620 BBCF 0368 3F77
keyserver: pgp.mit.edu

my-repo4.list:
# 2.8 raw key
#
# The apt signing key can also be specified by providing a pgp public key
# block. Providing the PGP key this way is the most robust method for
# specifying a key, as it removes dependency on a remote key server.
#
# As with keyid's this can be specified with or without some actual source
# content.
key: |
-----BEGIN PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK-----
Version: SKS 1.0.10

mI0ESpA3UQEEALdZKVIMq0j6qWAXAYxSlF635vPVl5gHPb9NK0DZUixn+akqytxG4zKCONz6
qLjoBBfHnyyVLfT4ihg9an1PqxRnTO+JKQx10NgKgz6Fon569GtA0dWNKw15XKinJTDLjnj
9y961jQqRcpV9t/WsIcdJFcKFR5vchTqoABE2aEKABEBAAG0UXhdW5jaHhZCBQUEEdG2m9y
IEFs2XN0aW1tcgQTQIA1AUC5pA3UQibAwYLCQgHAWI1EFQIAdwQWA9MBAH4VBheAAAoJEAT7H
5Qi+tCeVxw28D/1Mylvqj3FJPZU0m2Yolz2S8G57VH19+PFouqfI0ayRR9jbiyUF1n0VdQBrP
t0FwvnoFArUwVWkoEAdgR8hpy3M3APUZj15K4cMZR/xaMQeQR25ChpS4DBKURKAHCO1tS50
uBjKQO2m51tJp15cyfKBE8Mx18VFyVglAZeY
=Y2oI
-----END PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK-----
Cloud-init supports the creation of simple partition tables and file systems on devices.

Default disk definitions for AWS
--------------------------------
(Not implemented yet, but provided for future documentation)
disk_setup:
  ephemeral0:
    table_type: 'mbr'
    layout: True
    overwrite: False

fs_setup:
  - label: None,
    filesystem: ext3
    device: ephemeral0
    partition: auto

Default disk definitions for Windows Azure
------------------------------------------
device_aliases: {'ephemeral0': '/dev/sdb'}
disk_setup:
  ephemeral0:
    table_type: mbr
    layout: True
    overwrite: False

fs_setup:
  - label: ephemeral0
    filesystem: ext4
    device: ephemeral0.1
    replace_fs: ntfs

Default disk definitions for SmartOS
------------------------------------
device_aliases: {'ephemeral0': '/dev/sdb'}
disk_setup:
  ephemeral0:
    table_type: mbr
    layout: False
    overwrite: False

fs_setup:
  - label: ephemeral0
    filesystem: ext3
    device: ephemeral0.0

# Cavaut for SmartOS: if ephemeral disk is not defined, then the disk will not be automatically added to the mounts.

# The default definition is used to make sure that the ephemeral storage is
# setup properly.
# "disk_setup": disk partitioning
# --------------------------------

# The disk_setup directive instructs Cloud-init to partition a disk. The format is:

disk_setup:
  ephemeral0:
    table_type: 'mbr'
    layout: 'auto'
  /dev/xvdh:
    table_type: 'mbr'
    layout:
      - 33
      - [33, 82]
      - 33
    overwrite: True

# The format is a list of dicts of dicts. The first value is the name of the
device and the subsequent values define how to create and layout the
# partition.
# The general format is:
# disk_setup:
#  <DEVICE>:
#    table_type: 'mbr'
#    layout: <LAYOUT|BOOL>
#    overwrite: <BOOL>
#
# Where:
#  <DEVICE>: The name of the device. 'ephemeralX' and 'swap' are special
#  values which are specific to the cloud. For these devices
#  Cloud-init will look up what the real devices is and then
#  use it.
#  For other devices, the kernel device name is used. At this
time only simply kernel devices are supported, meaning
#  that device mapper and other targets may not work.
#  Note: At this time, there is no handling or setup of
device mapper targets.
#  table_type=<TYPE>: Currently the following are supported:
#    'mbr': default and setups a MS-DOS partition table
#  Note: At this time only 'mbr' partition tables are allowed.
#  It is anticipated in the future that we’ll have GPT as
#  option in the future, or even "RAID" to create a mdadm
#  RAID.
#  layout={...}: The device layout. This is a list of values, with the
#  percentage of disk that partition will take.
#  Valid options are:
#    [<SIZE>, [<SIZE>, <PART_TYPE>]]
#  Where <SIZE> is the _percentage_ of the disk to use, while
#  <PART_TYPE> is the numerical value of the partition type.
# The following setups two partitions, with the first
# partition having a swap label, taking 1/3 of the disk space
# and the remainder being used as the second partition.
# /dev/xvdh':
  # table_type: 'mbr'
  # layout:
  #   - [33,82]
  #   - 66
  # overwrite: True
#
# When layout is "true" it means single partition the entire
device.
#
# When layout is "false" it means don't partition or ignore
existing partitioning.
#
# If layout is set to "true" and overwrite is set to "false",
it will skip partitioning the device without a failure.
#
# overwrite=<BOOL>: This describes whether to ride with saftey's on and
everything holstered.
#
# 'false' is the default, which means that:
# 1. The device will be checked for a partition table
# 2. The device will be checked for a file system
# 3. If either a partition of file system is found, then
#    the operation will be _skipped_.
#
# 'true' is cowboy mode. There are no checks and things are
done blindly. USE with caution, you can do things you
really, really don't want to do.
#
# fs_setup: Setup the file system
# -------------------------------
# fs_setup describes the how the file systems are supposed to look.

fs_setup:
- label: ephemeral0
  filesystem: 'ext3'
  device: 'ephemeral0'
- label: mylabel2
  filesystem: 'ext4'
  device: '/dev/xvda1'
- special:
  cmd: mkfs -t %(FILESYSTEM)s -L %(LABEL)s %(DEVICE)s
  filesystem: 'btrfs'
  device: '/dev/xvdh'

# The general format is:
# fs_setup:
#  - label: <LABEL>
#    filesystem: <FS_TYPE>
#    device: <DEVICE>
#    partition: <PART_VALUE>
#    overwrite: <OVERWRITE>
# replace_fs: <FS_TYPE>
#
# Where:
#   <LABEL>: The file system label to be used. If set to None, no label is
#   used.
#   
#   <FS_TYPE>: The file system type. It is assumed that the there
#             will be a "mkfs.<FS_TYPE>" that behaves likes "mkfs". On a standard
#             Ubuntu Cloud Image, this means that you have the option of ext{2,3,4},
#             and vfat by default.
#             
#   <DEVICE>: The device name. Special names of 'ephemeralX' or 'swap'
#            are allowed and the actual device is acquired from the cloud datasource.
#            When using 'ephemeralX' (i.e. ephemeral0), make sure to leave the
#            label as 'ephemeralX' otherwise there may be issues with the mounting
#            of the ephemeral storage layer.
#             
#            If you define the device as 'ephemeralX.Y' then Y will be interpreted
#            as a partition value. However, ephemeralX.0 is the same as ephemeralX.
# 
#   <PART_VALUE>:
#   Partition definitions are overwritten if you use the '<DEVICE>.Y' notation.
#   
# The valid options are:
#   "auto|any": tell cloud-init not to care whether there is a partition
#               or not. Auto will use the first partition that does not contain a
#               file system already. In the absence of a partition table, it will
#               put it directly on the disk.
#             
#   "auto": If a file system that matches the specification in terms of
#            label, type and device, then cloud-init will skip the creation of
#            the file system.
#             
#   "any": If a file system that matches the file system type and device,
#          then cloud-init will skip the creation of the file system.
#          
#          Devices are selected based on first-detected, starting with partitions
#          and then the raw disk. Consider the following:
#          NAME   FSTYPE LABEL
#          xvdB   |-xvdB1  ext4
#          |-xvdB2
#          |-xvdB3  btrfs  test
#          
#          If you ask for 'auto', label of 'test', and file system of 'ext4'
#          then cloud-init will select the 2nd partition, even though there
#          is a partition match at the 4th partition.
#          
#          If you ask for 'any' and a label of 'test', then cloud-init will
#          select the 1st partition.
#           
#          If you ask for 'auto' and don't define label, then cloud-init will
#          select the 1st partition.
#         
# In general, if you have a specific partition configuration in mind,
# you should define either the device or the partition number. 'auto'
# and 'any' are specifically intended for formatting ephemeral storage or
for simple schemes.

"none": Put the file system directly on the device.

<NUM>: where NUM is the actual partition number.

<OVERWRITE>: Defines whether or not to overwrite any existing filesystem.

"true": Indiscriminately destroy any pre-existing file system. Use at your own peril.

"false": If an existing file system exists, skip the creation.

<REPLACE_FS>: This is a special directive, used for Windows Azure that instructs cloud-init to replace a file system of <FS_TYPE>. NOTE: unless you define a label, this requires the use of the 'any' partition directive.

Behavior Caveat: The default behavior is to _check_ if the file system exists. If a file system matches the specification, then the operation is a no-op.

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Register RedHat Subscription

#cloud-config

# register your Red Hat Enterprise Linux based operating system
#
# this cloud-init plugin is capable of registering by username
# and password *or* activation and org. Following a successfully
# registration you can:
# - auto-attach subscriptions
# - set the service level
# - add subscriptions based on its pool ID
# - enable yum repositories based on its repo id
# - disable yum repositories based on its repo id
# - alter the rhsm_baseurl and server-hostname in the
#   /etc/rhsm/rhs.conf file

rh_subscription:

  username: joe@foo.bar

  ### Quote your password if it has symbols to be safe
  password: '1234abcd'

  ### If you prefer, you can use the activation key and
  ### org instead of username and password. Be sure to
  ### comment out username and password

  #activation-key: foobar
  #org: 12345

  ### Uncomment to auto-attach subscriptions to your system
  #auto-attach: True

  ### Uncomment to set the service level for your
Boot Stages

In order to be able to provide the functionality that it does, cloud-init must be integrated into the boot in fairly controlled way.

There are 5 stages.

1. **Generator**
2. **Local**
3. **Network**
4. **Config**
5. **Final**

**Generator**

When booting under systemd, a **generator** will run that determines if cloud-init.target should be included in the boot goals. By default, this generator will enable cloud-init. It will not enable cloud-init if either:

- A file exists: `/etc/cloud/cloud-init.disabled`
- The kernel command line as found in `/proc/cmdline` contains `cloud-init=disabled`. When running in a container, the kernel command line is not honored, but cloud-init will read an environment variable named `KERNEL_CMDLINE` in its place.

This mechanism for disabling at runtime currently only exists in systemd.

**Local**

- **systemd service**: `cloud-init-local.service`
- **runs**: As soon as possible with `/` mounted read-write.
- **blocks**: as much of boot as possible, must block network bringup.
- **modules**: none

```bash
## subscriptions
#service-level: self-support

## Uncomment to add pools (needs to be a list of IDs)
#add-pool: []

## Uncomment to add or remove yum repos
## (needs to be a list of repo IDs)
#enable-repo: []
#disable-repo: []

## Uncomment to alter the baseurl in /etc/rhsm/rhsm.conf
#rhsm-baseurl: http://url

## Uncomment to alter the server hostname in
## /etc/rhsm/rhsm.conf
##server-hostname: foo.bar.com
```
The purpose of the local stage is:

- locate “local” data sources.
- apply networking configuration to the system (including “Fallback”)

In most cases, this stage does not do much more than that. It finds the datasource and determines the network configuration to be used. That network configuration can come from:

- the datasource
- fallback: Cloud-init’s fallback networking consists of rendering the equivalent to “dhcp on eth0”, which was historically the most popular mechanism for network configuration of a guest.
- none. network configuration can be disabled entirely with config like the following in /etc/cloud/cloud.cfg:  
  
  `network: (config: disabled)`

If this is an instance’s first boot, then the selected network configuration is rendered. This includes clearing of all previous (stale) configuration including persistent device naming with old mac addresses.

This stage must block network bring-up or any stale configuration might already have been applied. That could have negative effects such as DHCP hooks or broadcast of an old hostname. It would also put the system in an odd state to recover from as it may then have to restart network devices.

Cloud-init then exits and expects for the continued boot of the operating system to bring network configuration up as configured.

Note: In the past, local data sources have been only those that were available without network (such as ‘ConfigDrive’). However, as seen in the recent additions to the DigitalOcean datasource, even data sources that require a network can operate at this stage.

**Network**

- **systemd service**: `cloud-init.service`
- **runs**: After local stage and configured networking is up.
- **blocks**: As much of remaining boot as possible.
- **modules**: `init_modules`

This stage requires all configured networking to be online, as it will fully process any user-data that is found. Here, processing means:

- retrieve any `#include` or `#include-once` (recursively) including `http`
- uncompress any compressed content
- run any part-handler found.

This stage runs the `disk_setup` and `mounts` modules which may partition and format disks and configure mount points (such as in `/etc/fstab`). Those modules cannot run earlier as they may receive configuration input from sources only available via network. For example, a user may have provided user-data in a network resource that describes how local mounts should be done.

On some clouds such as Azure, this stage will create filesystems to be mounted, including ones that have stale (previous instance) references in `/etc/fstab`. As such, entries `/etc/fstab` other than those necessary for cloud-init to run should not be done until after this stage.

A part-handler will run at this stage, as will boothooks including cloud-config `bootcmd`. The user of this functionality has to be aware that the system is in the process of booting when their code runs.
Config

- **systemd service**: cloud-config.service
- **runs**: After network stage.
- **blocks**: None.
- **modules**: config_modules

This stage runs config modules only. Modules that do not really have an effect on other stages of boot are run here.

Final

- **systemd service**: cloud-final.service
- **runs**: As final part of boot (traditional “rc.local”)
- **blocks**: None.
- **modules**: final_modules

This stage runs as late in boot as possible. Any scripts that a user is accustomed to running after logging into a system should run correctly here. Things that run here include
  - package installations
  - configuration management plugins (puppet, chef, salt-minion)
  - user-scripts (including runcmd).

Datasources

**What is a datasource?**

Datasources are sources of configuration data for cloud-init that typically come from the user (aka userdata) or come from the stack that created the configuration drive (aka metadata). Typical userdata would include files, yaml, and shell scripts while typical metadata would include server name, instance id, display name and other cloud specific details. Since there are multiple ways to provide this data (each cloud solution seems to prefer its own way) internally a datasource abstract class was created to allow for a single way to access the different cloud systems methods to provide this data through the typical usage of subclasses.

The current interface that a datasource object must provide is the following:

```python
# returns a mime multipart message that contains # all the various fully-expanded components that # were found from processing the raw userdata string # - when filtering only the mime messages targeting # this instance id will be returned (or messages with # no instance id)
def get_userdata(self, apply_filter=False)

# returns the raw userdata string (or none)
def get_userdata_raw(self)

# returns a integer (or none) which can be used to identify # this instance in a group of instances which are typically # created from a single command, thus allowing programatic
```
Datasource Documentation

The following is a list of the implemented datasources. Follow for more information.

Alt Cloud

The datasource altcloud will be used to pick up user data on RHEVm and vSphere.

RHEVm

For RHEVm v3.0 the userdata is injected into the VM using floppy injection via the RHEVm dashboard “Custom Properties”.

The format of the Custom Properties entry must be:

```
floppyinject=user-data.txt:<base64 encoded data>
```

For example to pass a simple bash script:
To pass this example script to cloud-init running in a RHEVM v3.0 VM set the “Custom Properties” when creating the RHEVM v3.0 VM to:

```
floppyinject=user-data.txt
```

NOTE: The prefix with file name must be: floppyinject=user-data.txt:

It is also possible to launch a RHEVM v3.0 VM and pass optional user data to it using the Delta Cloud.

For more information on Delta Cloud see: http://deltacloud.apache.org

vSphere

For VMWare’s vSphere the userdata is injected into the VM as an ISO via the cdrom. This can be done using the vSphere dashboard by connecting an ISO image to the CD/DVD drive.

To pass this example script to cloud-init running in a vSphere VM set the CD/DVD drive when creating the vSphere VM to point to an ISO on the data store.

Note: The ISO must contain the user data.

For example, to pass the same simple_script.bash to vSphere:

Create the ISO

```
% mkdir my-iso
% cp simple_script.bash my-iso/user-data.txt
% genisoimage -o user-data.iso -r my-iso
```

Verify the ISO

```
% sudo mkdir /media/vsphere_iso
% sudo mount -o loop JoeV_CI_02.iso /media/vsphere_iso
% cat /media/vsphere_iso/user-data.txt
% sudo umount /media/vsphere_iso
```

Then, launch the vSphere VM the ISO user-data.iso attached as a CDROM.

It is also possible to launch a vSphere VM and pass optional user data to it using the Delta Cloud.

For more information on Delta Cloud see: http://deltacloud.apache.org
Azure

This datasource finds metadata and user-data from the Azure cloud platform.

Azure Platform

The azure cloud-platform provides initial data to an instance via an attached CD formatted in UDF. That CD contains a ‘ovf-env.xml’ file that provides some information. Additional information is obtained via interaction with the “endpoint”.

To find the endpoint, we now leverage the dhcp client’s ability to log its known values on exit. The endpoint server is special DHCP option 245. Depending on your networking stack, this can be done by calling a script in /etc/dhcp/dhclient-exit-hooks or a file in /etc/NetworkManager/dispatcher.d. Both of these call a sub-command ‘dhclient_hook’ of cloud-init itself. This sub-command will write the client information in json format to /run/cloud-init/dhclient.hook/<interface>.json.

In order for cloud-init to leverage this method to find the endpoint, the cloud.cfg file must contain:

datasource:
  Azure: set_hostname: False agent_command: __builtin__

If those files are not available, the fallback is to check the leases file for the endpoint server (again option 245).

You can define the path to the lease file with the ‘dhclient_lease_file’ configuration. The default value is /var/lib/dhcp/dhclient.eth0.leases.

dhclient_lease_file: /var/lib/dhcp/dhclient.eth0.leases

walinuxagent

In order to operate correctly, cloud-init needs walinuxagent to provide much of the interaction with azure. In addition to “provisioning” code, walinux does the following on the agent is a long running daemon that handles the following things: - generate a x509 certificate and send that to the endpoint

waagent.conf config

in order to use waagent.conf with cloud-init, the following settings are recommended. Other values can be changed or set to the defaults.

```bash
# disabling provisioning turns off all 'Provisioning.*' function
Provisioning.Enabled=n
# this is currently not handled by cloud-init, so let walinuxagent do it.
ResourceDisk.Format=y
ResourceDisk.MountPoint=/mnt
```

Userdata

Userdata is provided to cloud-init inside the ovf-env.xml file. Cloud-init expects that user-data will be provided as base64 encoded value inside the text child of a element named UserData or CustomData which is a direct child of the LinuxProvisioningConfigurationSet (a sibling to UserName) If both UserData and CustomData are provided behavior is undefined on which will be selected.
In the example below, user-data provided is ‘this is my userdata’, and the datasource config provided is
("agent_command": ["start", "walinuxagent"]). That agent command will take affect as if it were
specified in system config.

Example:

```xml
<wa:ProvisioningSection>
  <wa:Version>1.0</wa:Version>
  <LinuxProvisioningConfigurationSet
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/windowsazure"
    xmlns:i="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
    <ConfigurationSetType>LinuxProvisioningConfiguration</ConfigurationSetType>
    <HostName>myHost</HostName>
    <UserName>myuser</UserName>
    <UserPassword/>
    <CustomData>dGhpcyBpcyBteSB1c2VyZGF0YQ==</CustomData>
    <dscfg>eyJhZ2VudF9jb21tYW5kIjogWyJzdGFydCIsICJ3YWxpbnV4Y2xldmVsbG9nMi4xNDAs
     YWJvdXQifSwiY2FtcGxlIjoicmVzcGxheSIsInNlZjoiIiwiaGF2ZWF0ZSAi
      ONAsICJ3YWxpbnV4YWdlbmlnIjoid29ybGQifX0=
      </dscfg>
    <DisableSshPasswordAuthentication>true</DisableSshPasswordAuthentication>
    <SSH>
      <PublicKeys>
        <PublicKey>
          <Fingerprint>6BE7A7C3CA8F4B123CCA5D0C2F1BE4CA7B63ED7</Fingerprint>
        </PublicKey>
        <Path>this-value-unused</Path>
      </PublicKeys>
      <Interface>eth0</Interface>
      <Policy>on</Policy>
      <Command>builtin</Command>
    </SSH>
  </LinuxProvisioningConfigurationSet>
</wa:ProvisioningSection>
```

**Configuration**

Configuration for the datasource can be read from the system config’s or set via the `dscfg` entry in the `LinuxProvisioningConfigurationSet`. Content in dscfg node is expected to be base64 encoded yaml content, and it will be merged into the ‘datasource: Azure’ entry.

The ‘hostname_bounce: command’ entry can be either the literal string ‘builtin’ or a command to execute. The command will be invoked after the hostname is set, and will have the ‘interface’ in its environment. If `set_hostname` is not true, then `hostname_bounce` will be ignored.

An example might be: command: ["sh", "-c", "killall dhclient; dhclient $interface"]
hostname

When the user launches an instance, they provide a hostname for that instance. The hostname is provided to the instance in the ovf-env.xml file as HostName.

Whatever value the instance provides in its dhcp request will resolve in the domain returned in the ‘search’ request.

The interesting issue is that a generic image will already have a hostname configured. The ubuntu cloud images have ‘ubuntu’ as the hostname of the system, and the initial dhcp request on eth0 is not guaranteed to occur after the datasource code has been run. So, on first boot, that initial value will be sent in the dhcp request and that value will resolve.

In order to make the HostName provided in the ovf-env.xml resolve, a dhcp request must be made with the new value. Walinuxagent (in its current version) handles this by polling the state of hostname and bouncing (‘ifdown eth0; ifup eth0’ the network interface if it sees that a change has been made.

cloud-init handles this by setting the hostname in the DataSource’s ‘get_data’ method via ‘hostname $HostName’, and then bouncing the interface. This behavior can be configured or disabled in the datasource config. See ‘Configuration’ above.

CloudSigma

This datasource finds metadata and user-data from the CloudSigma cloud platform. Data transfer occurs through a virtual serial port of the CloudSigma’s VM and the presence of network adapter is NOT a requirement. See server context in the public documentation for more information.

Setting a hostname

By default the name of the server will be applied as a hostname on the first boot.

Providing user-data

You can provide user-data to the VM using the dedicated meta field in the server context cloudinit-user-data. By default cloud-config format is expected there and the #cloud-config header could be omitted. However since this is a raw-text field you could provide any of the valid config formats.

You have the option to encode your user-data using Base64. In order to do that you have to add the cloudinit-user-data field to the base64_fields. The latter is a comma-separated field with all the meta fields whit base64 encoded values.

If your user-data does not need an internet connection you can create a meta field in the server context cloudinit-dsmode and set “local” as value. If this field does not exist the default value is “net”.

CloudStack

Apache CloudStack expose user-data, meta-data, user password and account sshkey thru the Virtual-Router. For more details on meta-data and user-data, refer the CloudStack Administrator Guide.

URLs to access user-data and meta-data from the Virtual Machine. Here 10.1.1.1 is the Virtual Router IP:

<table>
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<th>URL</th>
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<tr>
<td><a href="http://10.1.1.1/latest/user-data">http://10.1.1.1/latest/user-data</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><a href="http://10.1.1.1/latest/meta-data">http://10.1.1.1/latest/meta-data</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><a href="http://10.1.1.1/latest/meta-data/%7Bmetadata">http://10.1.1.1/latest/meta-data/{metadata</a> type}</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Configuration

Apache CloudStack datasource can be configured as follows:

```yaml
datasource:
  CloudStack: {}
  None: {}

datasource_list:
  - CloudStack
```

Config Drive

The configuration drive datasource supports the OpenStack configuration drive disk.

See the config drive extension and introduction in the public documentation for more information.

By default, cloud-init does always consider this source to be a full-fledged datasource. Instead, the typical behavior is to assume it is really only present to provide networking information. Cloud-init will copy off the network information, apply it to the system, and then continue on. The “full” datasource could then be found in the EC2 metadata service. If this is not the case then the files contained on the located drive must provide equivalents to what the EC2 metadata service would provide (which is typical of the version 2 support listed below).

Version 1

The following criteria are required to as a config drive:

1. Must be formatted with vfat filesystem
2. Must be a un-partitioned block device (/dev/vdb, not /dev/vdb1)
3. Must contain one of the following files

   `/etc/network/interfaces`
   `/root/.ssh/authorized_keys`
   `/meta.js`

/`etc/network/interfaces`

This file is laid down by nova in order to pass static networking information to the guest. Cloud-init will copy it off of the config-drive and into /etc/network/interfaces (or convert it to RH format) as soon as it can, and then attempt to bring up all network interfaces.

/`root/.ssh/authorized_keys`

This file is laid down by nova, and contains the ssk keys that were provided to nova on instance creation (nova-boot –key ....)

/`meta.js`

meta.js is populated on the config-drive in response to the user passing “meta flags” (nova boot –meta key=value ....). It is expected to be json formatted.

Version 2

The following criteria are required to as a config drive:

1. Must be formatted with vfat or iso9660 filesystem or have a filesystem label of config-2
2. Must be a un-partitioned block device (/dev/vdb, not /dev/vdb1)

3. The files that will typically be present in the config drive are:

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<td>- 2012-08-10/ or latest/</td>
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<tr>
<td>- meta_data.json</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- user_data (not mandatory)</td>
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<tr>
<td>- content/</td>
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<tr>
<td>- 0000 (referenced content files)</td>
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<td>- 0001</td>
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<td>- ....</td>
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<th>ec2</th>
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<tr>
<td>- latest/</td>
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<tr>
<td>- meta-data.json (not mandatory)</td>
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</table>

**Keys and values**

Cloud-init’s behavior can be modified by keys found in the meta.js (version 1 only) file in the following ways.

<table>
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<th>dsmode:</th>
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<tr>
<td>values: local, net, pass</td>
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<tr>
<td>default: pass</td>
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</table>

This is what indicates if configdrive is a final data source or not. By default it is ‘pass’, meaning this datasource should not be read. Set it to ‘local’ or ‘net’ to stop cloud-init from continuing on to search for other data sources after network config.

The difference between ‘local’ and ‘net’ is that local will not require networking to be up before user-data actions (or boothooks) are run.

<table>
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<th>instance-id:</th>
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<tr>
<td>default: iid-dsconfigdrive</td>
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</table>

This is utilized as the metadata’s instance-id. It should generally be unique, as it is what is used to determine “is this a new instance”.

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<th>public-keys:</th>
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<tr>
<td>default: None</td>
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If present, these keys will be used as the public keys for the instance. This value overrides the content in authorized_keys.

Note: it is likely preferable to provide keys via user-data

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<th>user-data:</th>
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<td>default: None</td>
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This provides cloud-init user-data. See examples for what all can be present here.

**Digital Ocean**

The DigitalOcean datasource consumes the content served from DigitalOcean’s metadata service. This metadata service serves information about the running droplet via HTTP over the link local address 169.254.169.254. The metadata API endpoints are fully described at https://developers.digitalocean.com/metadata/.
Configuration

DigitalOcean’s datasource can be configured as follows:

```
datasource:
    DigitalOcean: retries: 3 timeout: 2
```

- **retries**: Determines the number of times to attempt to connect to the metadata service
- **timeout**: Determines the timeout in seconds to wait for a response from the metadata service

**Amazon EC2**

The EC2 datasource is the oldest and most widely used datasource that cloud-init supports. This datasource interacts with a *magic* ip that is provided to the instance by the cloud provider. Typically this ip is `169.254.169.254` of which at this ip a http server is provided to the instance so that the instance can make calls to get instance userdata and instance metadata.

Metadata is accessible via the following URL:

```text
ami-id
ami-launch-index
ami-manifest-path
block-device-mapping/
hostname
instance-id
instance-type
local-hostname
local-ipv4
placement/
public-hostname
public-ipv4
public-keys/
reservation-id
security-groups
```

Userdata is accessible via the following URL:

```text
1234,fred,reboot,true | 4512,jimbo, | 173, ,, 
```

Note that there are multiple versions of this data provided, cloud-init by default uses `2009-04-04` but newer versions can be supported with relative ease (newer versions have more data exposed, while maintaining backward compatibility with the previous versions).

To see which versions are supported from your cloud provider use the following URL:

```text
GET http://169.254.169.254/
1.0
2007-01-19
2007-03-01
2007-08-29
2007-10-10
2007-12-15
2008-02-01
2008-09-01
2009-04-04
```
MAAS

TODO
For now see: http://maas.ubuntu.com/

NoCloud

The data source NoCloud allows the user to provide user-data and meta-data to the instance without running a network service (or even without having a network at all).

You can provide meta-data and user-data to a local vm boot via files on a vfat or iso9660 filesystem. The filesystem volume label must be cidata.

These user-data and meta-data files are expected to be in the following format.

```
/user-data
/meta-data
```

Basically, user-data is simply user-data and meta-data is a yaml formatted file representing what you’d find in the EC2 metadata service.

Given a disk ubuntu 12.04 cloud image in ‘disk.img’, you can create a sufficient disk by following the example below.

```
## create user-data and meta-data files that will be used
## to modify image on first boot
$ { echo instance-id: iid-local01; echo local-hostname: cloudimg; } > meta-data

$ printf "#cloud-config
password: passw0rd
chpasswd: { expire: False }
ssh_pwauth: True
" > user-data

## create a disk to attach with some user-data and meta-data
$ genisoimage -output seed.iso -volid cidata -joliet -rock user-data meta-data

## alternatively, create a vfat filesystem with same files
## $ truncate --size 2M seed.img
## $ mkfs.vfat -n cidata seed.img
## $ mcopy -oi seed.img user-data meta-data ::

## create a new qcow image to boot, backed by your original image
$ qemu-img create -f qcow2 -b disk.img boot-disk.img

## boot the image and login as 'ubuntu' with password 'passw0rd'
## note, passw0rd was set as password through the user-data above,  
## there is no password set on these images.
$ kvm -m 256 \
-net nic -net user,hostfwd=tcp::2222-:22 \
-drive file=boot-disk.img,if=virtio \n-drive file=seed.iso,if=virtio
```

Note: that the instance-id provided (iid-local01 above) is what is used to determine if this is “first boot”. So if you are making updates to user-data you will also have to change that, or start the disk fresh.
Also, you can inject an `/etc/network/interfaces` file by providing the content for that file in the `network-interfaces` field of metadata.

Example metadata:

```
instance-id: iid-abcdefg
network-interfaces: |
  iface eth0 inet static
  address 192.168.1.10
  network 192.168.1.0
  netmask 255.255.255.0
  broadcast 192.168.1.255
  gateway 192.168.1.254
hostname: myhost
```

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**OpenNebula**

The OpenNebula (ON) datasource supports the contextualization disk.

See contextualization overview, contextualizing VMs and network configuration in the public documentation for more information.

OpenNebula’s virtual machines are contextualized (parametrized) by CD-ROM image, which contains a shell script `context.sh` with custom variables defined on virtual machine start. There are no fixed contextualization variables, but the datasource accepts many used and recommended across the documentation.

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**Datasource configuration**

Datasource accepts following configuration options.

```
dsmode:
  values: local, net, disabled
  default: net
```

Tells if this datasource will be processed in ‘local’ (pre-networking) or ‘net’ (post-networking) stage or even completely ‘disabled’.

```
parseuser:
  default: nobody
```

Unprivileged system user used for contextualization script processing.

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**Contextualization disk**

The following criteria are required:

1. Must be formatted with `iso9660` filesystem or have a `filesystem` label of `CONTEXT` or `CDROM`
2. Must contain file `context.sh` with contextualization variables. File is generated by OpenNebula, it has a `KEY='VALUE'` format and can be easily read by bash
## Contextualization variables

There are no fixed contextualization variables in OpenNebula, no standard. Following variables were found on various places and revisions of the OpenNebula documentation. Where multiple similar variables are specified, only first found is taken.

### DSMODE

Datasource mode configuration override. Values: local, net, disabled.

### DNS

ETH<x>_IP
ETH<x>_NETWORK
ETH<x>_MASK
ETH<x>_GATEWAY
ETH<x>_DOMAIN
ETH<x>_DNS

### Static network configuration.

### HOSTNAME

Instance hostname.

PUBLIC_IP
IP_PUBLIC
ETH0_IP

If no hostname has been specified, cloud-init will try to create hostname from instance’s IP address in ‘local’ dsmode. In ‘net’ dsmode, cloud-init tries to resolve one of its IP addresses to get hostname.

### SSH_KEY

SSH_PUBLIC_KEY

One or multiple SSH keys (separated by newlines) can be specified.

### USER_DATA

USERDATA

cloud-init user data.

## Example configuration

This example cloud-init configuration (`cloud.cfg`) enables OpenNebula datasource only in ‘net’ mode.

```text
disable_ec2_metadata: True
datasource_list: ['OpenNebula']
datasource:
    OpenNebula:
        dsmode: net
        parseuser: nobody
```
Example VM’s context section

```yaml
CONTEXT=[
    PUBLIC_IP="$NIC[IP]",
    SSH_KEY="$USER[SSH_KEY] $USER[SSH_KEY1] $USER[SSH_KEY2] ",
    USER_DATA="#cloud-config
    # see https://help.ubuntu.com/community/CloudInit
    packages: []
    mounts:
        - [vdc,none,swap,sw,0,0]
    runcmd:
        - echo 'Instance has been configured by cloud-init.' | wall
]
```

OpenStack

**TODO**

Vendor Data

The OpenStack metadata server can be configured to serve up vendor data which is available to all instances for consumption. OpenStack vendor data is, generally, a JSON object.

cloud-init will look for configuration in the `cloud-init` attribute of the vendor data JSON object. cloud-init processes this configuration using the same handlers as user data, so any formats that work for user data should work for vendor data.

For example, configuring the following as vendor data in OpenStack would upgrade packages and install `htop` on all instances:

```json
{"cloud-init": "#cloud-config
package_upgrade: True
packages:
    - htop"}
```

For more general information about how cloud-init handles vendor data, including how it can be disabled by users on instances, see [Vendor Data](#).

OVF

The OVF Datasource provides a datasource for reading data from on an Open Virtualization Format ISO transport.

For further information see a full working example in cloud-init’s source code tree in `doc/sources/ovf`

SmartOS Datasource

This datasource finds metadata and user-data from the SmartOS virtualization platform (i.e. Joyent).

Please see [http://smartos.org/](http://smartos.org/) for information about SmartOS.
SmartOS Platform

The SmartOS virtualization platform uses meta-data to the instance via the second serial console. On Linux, this is /dev/ttyS1. The data is provided via a simple protocol: something queries for the data, the console responds with the status and if “SUCCESS” returns until a single “.”.

New versions of the SmartOS tooling will include support for base64 encoded data.

Meta-data channels

Cloud-init supports three modes of delivering user/meta-data via the flexible channels of SmartOS.

- **user-data** is written to /var/db/user-data
  - per the spec, user-data is for consumption by the end-user, not provisioning tools
  - cloud-init entirely ignores this channel other than writing it to disk
  - removal of the meta-data key means that /var/db/user-data gets removed
  - a backup of previous meta-data is maintained as /var/db/user-data.<timestamp>. <timestamp> is the epoch time when cloud-init ran

- **user-script** is written to /var/lib/cloud/scripts/per-boot/99_user_data
  - this is executed each boot
  - a link is created to /var/db/user-script
  - previous versions of the user-script is written to /var/lib/cloud/scripts/per-boot.backup/99_user_script.<timestamp>. <timestamp> is the epoch time when cloud-init ran.
  - when the ‘user-script’ meta-data key goes missing, the user-script is removed from the file system, although a backup is maintained.
  - if the script is not shebanged (i.e. starts with #!/<executable>), then or is not an executable, cloud-init will add a shebang of “#!/bin/bash”

- **cloud-init:user-data** is treated like on other Clouds.
  - this channel is used for delivering _all_ cloud-init instructions
  - scripts delivered over this channel must be well formed (i.e. must have a shebang)

Cloud-init supports reading the traditional meta-data fields supported by the SmartOS tools. These are:

- root_authorized_keys
- hostname
- enable_motd_sys_info
- iptables_disable

**Note:** At this time `iptables_disable` and `enable_motd_sys_info` are read but are not actioned.

Disabling user-script

Cloud-init uses the per-boot script functionality to handle the execution of the user-script. If you want to prevent this use a cloud-config of:
Alternatively you can use the json patch method

```json
#cloud-config-jsonp
[
  {
    "op": "replace",
    "path": "/cloud_final_modules",
    "value": [
      "scripts-per-once",
      "scripts-per-instance",
      "scripts-user",
      "ssh-authkey-fingerprints",
      "keys-to-console",
      "phone-home",
      "final-message",
      "power-state-change"
    ]
  }
]
```

The default cloud-config includes “script-per-boot”. Cloud-init will still ingest and write the user-data but will not execute it, when you disable the per-boot script handling.

**Note:** Unless you have an explicit use-case, it is recommended that you not disable the per-boot script execution, especially if you are using any of the life-cycle management features of SmartOS.

The cloud-config needs to be delivered over the cloud-init:user-data channel in order for cloud-init to ingest it.

### base64

The following are exempt from base64 encoding, owing to the fact that they are provided by SmartOS:

- root_authorized_keys
- enable_motd_sys_info
- iptables_disable
- user-data
- user-script

This list can be changed through system config of variable ‘no_base64_decode’.

This means that user-script and user-data as well as other values can be base64 encoded. Since Cloud-init can only guess as to whether or not something is truly base64 encoded, the following meta-data keys are hints as to whether or not to base64 decode something:

- base64_all: Except for excluded keys, attempt to base64 decode the values. If the value fails to decode properly, it will be returned in its text
- base64_keys: A comma delimited list of which keys are base64 encoded.
• b64-<key>: for any key, if there exists an entry in the metadata for ‘b64-<key>’ Then ‘b64-<key>’ is expected to be a plaintext boolean indicating whether or not its value is encoded.

• no_base64_decode: This is a configuration setting (i.e. /etc/cloud/cloud.cfg.d) that sets which values should not be base64 decoded.

**disk_aliases and ephemeral disk**

By default, SmartOS only supports a single ephemeral disk. That disk is completely empty (un-partitioned with no filesystem).

The SmartOS datasource has built-in cloud-config which instructs the ‘disk_setup’ module to partition and format the ephemeral disk.

You can control the disk_setup then in 2 ways:

1. through the datasource config, you can change the ‘alias’ of ephemeral0 to reference another device. The default is:

   ‘disk_aliases’: {‘ephemeral0’: ‘/dev/vdb’},

   Which means anywhere disk_setup sees a device named ‘ephemeral0’ then /dev/vdb will be substituted.

2. you can provide disk_setup or fs_setup data in user-data to overwrite the datasource’s built-in values.

See doc/examples/cloud-config-disk-setup.txt for information on disk_setup.

**Fallback/None**

This is the fallback datasource when no other datasource can be selected. It is the equivalent of a empty datasource in that it provides a empty string as userdata and a empty dictionary as metadata. It is useful for testing as well as for when you do not have a need to have an actual datasource to meet your instance requirements (i.e you just want to run modules that are not concerned with any external data). It is typically put at the end of the datasource search list so that if all other datasources are not matched, then this one will be so that the user is not left with an inaccessible instance.

Note: the instance id that this datasource provides is iid-datasource-none.

**Logging**

Cloud-init supports both local and remote logging configurable through python’s built-in logging configuration and through the cloud-init rsyslog module.

**Command Output**

Cloud-init can redirect its stdout and stderr based on config given under the output config key. The output of any commands run by cloud-init and any user or vendor scripts provided will also be included here. The output key accepts a dictionary for configuration. Output files may be specified individually for each stage (init, config, and final), or a single key all may be used to specify output for all stages.

The output for each stage may be specified as a dictionary of output and error keys, for stdout and stderr respectively, as a tuple with stdout first and stderr second, or as a single string to use for both. The strings passed to all of these keys are handled by the system shell, so any form of redirection that can be used in bash is valid, including piping cloud-init’s output to tee, or logger. If only a filename is provided, cloud-init will append its output to the file as though >> was specified.
By default, cloud-init loads its output configuration from `/etc/cloud/cloud.cfg.d/05_logging.cfg`. The default config directs both stdout and stderr from all cloud-init stages to `/var/log/cloud-init-output.log`. The default config is given as

```
output: { all: "| tee -a /var/log/cloud-init-output.log" }
```

For a more complex example, the following configuration would output the init stage to `/var/log/cloud-init.out` and `/var/log/cloud-init.err`, for stdout and stderr respectively, replacing anything that was previously there. For the config stage, it would pipe both stdout and stderr through `tee -a /var/log/cloud-config.log`. For the final stage it would append the output of stdout and stderr to `/var/log/cloud-final.out` and `/var/log/cloud-final.err` respectively.

```
output:
  init:
    output: "> /var/log/cloud-init.out"
    error: "> /var/log/cloud-init.err"
  config: "tee -a /var/log/cloud-config.log"
  final:
    - ">> /var/log/cloud-final.out"
    - ">> /var/log/cloud-final.err"
```

**Python Logging**

Cloud-init uses the python logging module, and can accept config for this module using the standard python fileConfig format. Cloud-init looks for config for the logging module under the `logcfg` key.

**Note:** the logging configuration is not yaml, it is python fileConfig format, and is passed through directly to the python logging module. Please use the correct syntax for a multi-line string in yaml.

By default, cloud-init uses the logging configuration provided in `/etc/cloud/cloud.cfg.d/05_logging.cfg`. The default python logging configuration writes all cloud-init events with a priority of WARNING or higher to console, and writes all events with a level of DEBUG or higher to `/var/log/cloud-init.log` and via syslog.

Python’s fileConfig format consists of sections with headings in the format `[title]` and key value pairs in each section. Configuration for python logging must contain the sections `[loggers]`, `[handlers]`, and `[formatters]`, which name the entities of their respective types that will be defined. The section name for each defined logger, handler and formatter will start with its type, followed by an underscore (\_\_) and the name of the entity. For example, if a logger was specified with the name `log01`, config for the logger would be in the section `[logger_log01]`.

Logger config entries contain basic logging set up. They may specify a list of handlers to send logging events to as well as the lowest priority level of events to handle. A logger named `root` must be specified and its configuration (under `[logger_root]`) must contain a level and a list of handlers. A level entry can be any of the following: DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL, or NOTSET. For the `root` logger the NOTSET option will allow all logging events to be recorded.

Each configured handler must specify a class under the python’s logging package namespace. A handler may specify a message formatter to use, a priority level, and arguments for the handler class. Common handlers are StreamHandler, which handles stream redirects (i.e. logging to stderr), and FileHandler which outputs to a log file. The logging module also supports logging over net sockets, over http, via smtp, and additional complex configurations. For full details about the handlers available for python logging, please see the documentation for python logging handlers.

Log messages are formatted using the `logging.Formatter` class, which is configured using `formatter config` entities. A default format of `%message%` is given if no formatter configs are specified. Formatter config entities accept a format string which supports variable replacements. These may also accept a `datetime` string which may be
used to configure the timestamp used in the log messages. The format variables \%(asctime)s, \%(levelname)s and \%(message)s are commonly used and represent the timestamp, the priority level of the event and the event message. For additional information on logging formatters see python logging formatters.

Note: by default the format string used in the logging formatter are in python’s old style %s form. the str.format() and string.Template styles can also be used by using { or $ in place of % by setting the style parameter in formatter config.

A simple, but functional python logging configuration for cloud-init is below. It will log all messages of priority DEBUG or higher both stderr and /tmp/my.log using a StreamHandler and a FileHandler, using the default format string \%(message)s:

```
logcfg: |
    [loggers]
    keys=root,cloudinit
    [handlers]
    keys=ch,cf
    [formatters]
    keys=
    [logger_root]
        level=DEBUG
        handlers=
    [logger_cloudinit]
        level=DEBUG
        qualname=cloudinit
        handlers=ch,cf
    [handler_ch]
        class=StreamHandler
        level=DEBUG
        args=(sys.stderr,)
    [handler_cf]
        class=FileHandler
        level=DEBUG
        args=('/tmp/my.log',)
```

For additional information about configuring python’s logging module, please see the documentation for python logging config.

**Rsyslog Module**

Cloud-init’s cc_rsyslog module allows for fully customizable rsyslog configuration under the rsyslog config key. The simplest way to use the rsyslog module is by specifying remote servers under the remotes key in rsyslog config. The remotes key takes a dictionary where each key represents the name of an rsyslog server and each value is the configuration for that server. The format for server config is:

- optional filter for log messages (defaults to *.*)
- optional leading @ or @@, indicating udp and tcp respectively (defaults to @, for udp)
- ipv4 or ipv6 hostname or address. ipv6 addresses must be in [::1] format, (e.g. @[fd00::1]:514)
- optional port number (defaults to 514)

For example, to send logging to an rsyslog server named log_serv with address 10.0.4.1, using port number 514, over udp, with all log messages enabled one could use either of the following.

With all options specified:
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rsyslog:
  remotes:
    log_serv: "\*\* @10.0.4.1:514"

With defaults used:

rsyslog:
  remotes:
    log_serv: "10.0.4.1"

For more information on rsyslog configuration, see Rsyslog.

Modules

Apt Configure

Summary: configure apt

This module handles both configuration of apt options and adding source lists. There are configuration options such as apt_get_wrapper and apt_get_command that control how cloud-init invokes apt-get. These configuration options are handled on a per-distro basis, so consult documentation for cloud-init’s distro support for instructions on using these config options.

Note: To ensure that apt configuration is valid yaml, any strings containing special characters, especially : should be quoted.

Note: For more information about apt configuration, see the Additional apt configuration example.

Preserve sources.list:

By default, cloud-init will generate a new sources list in /etc/apt/sources.list.d based on any changes specified in cloud config. To disable this behavior and preserve the sources list from the pristine image, set preserve_sources_list to true.

Note: The preserve_sources_list option overrides all other config keys that would alter sources.list or sources.list.d, except for additional sources to be added to sources.list.d.

Disable source suites:

Entries in the sources list can be disabled using disable_suites, which takes a list of suites to be disabled. If the string $RELEASE is present in a suite in the disable_suites list, it will be replaced with the release name. If a suite specified in disable_suites is not present in sources.list it will be ignored. For convenience, several aliases are provided for disable_suites:

- updates => $RELEASE-updates
- backports => $RELEASE-backports
- security => $RELEASE-security
- proposed => $RELEASE-proposed
- release => $RELEASE
Note: When a suite is disabled using `disableSuites`, its entry in `sources.list` is not deleted; it is just commented out.

Configure primary and security mirrors:

The primary and security archive mirrors can be specified using the `primary` and `security` keys, respectively. Both the `primary` and `security` keys take a list of configs, allowing mirrors to be specified on a per-architecture basis. Each config is a dictionary which must have an entry for `arches`, specifying which architectures that config entry is for. The keyword `default` applies to any architecture not explicitly listed. The mirror url can be specified with the `url` key, or a list of mirrors to check can be provided in order, with the first mirror that can be resolved being selected. This allows the same configuration to be used in different environments, with different hosts used for a local apt mirror. If no mirror is provided by uri or search, `search_dns` may be used to search for dns names in the format `<distro>-mirror` in each of the following:

- fqdn of this host per cloud metadata
- localdomain
- domains listed in `/etc/resolv.conf`

If there is a dns entry for `<distro>-mirror`, then it is assumed that there is a distro mirror at `http://<distro>-mirror.<domain>/<distro>`. If the `primary` key is defined, but not the `security` key, then configuration for `primary` is also used for `security`. If `search_dns` is used for the `security` key, the search pattern will be `<distro>-security-mirror`.

If no mirrors are specified, or all lookups fail, then default mirrors defined in the datasource are used. If none are present in the datasource either the following defaults are used:

- `primary`: `http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu`
- `security`: `http://security.ubuntu.com/ubuntu`

Specify sources.list template:

A custom template for rendering `sources.list` can be specified with `sources_list`. If no `sources_list` template is given, cloud-init will use sane default. Within this template, the following strings will be replaced with the appropriate values:

- `$MIRROR`
- `$RELEASE`
- `$PRIMARY`
- `$SECURITY`

Pass configuration to apt:

Apt configuration can be specified using `conf`. Configuration is specified as a string. For multiline apt configuration, make sure to follow yaml syntax.

Configure apt proxy:

Proxy configuration for apt can be specified using `conf`, but proxy config keys also exist for convenience. The proxy config keys, `http_proxy`, `ftp_proxy`, and `https_proxy` may be used to specify a proxy for http, ftp and https protocols respectively. The `proxy` key also exists as an alias for `http_proxy`. Proxy url is specified in the format `<protocol>://[[user][:pass]@]host[:port]/`.

Add apt repos by regex:

All source entries in `apt-sources` that match regex in `add_apt_repo_match` will be added to the system using `add-apt-repository`. If `add_apt_repo_match` is not specified, it defaults to `^\W+\w`
Add source list entries:

Source list entries can be specified as a dictionary under the `sources` config key, with key in the dict representing a different source file. The key The key of each source entry will be used as an id that can be referenced in other config entries, as well as the filename for the source’s configuration under `/etc/apt/sources.list.d`. If the name does not end with `.list`, it will be appended. If there is no configuration for a key in `sources`, no file will be written, but the key may still be referred to as an id in other `sources` entries.

Each entry under `sources` is a dictionary which may contain any of the following optional keys:

- `source`: a sources.list entry (some variable replacements apply)
- `keyid`: a key to import via shortid or fingerprint
- `key`: a raw PGP key
- `keyserver`: alternate keyserver to pull `keyid` key from

The `source` key supports variable replacements for the following strings:

- `$MIRROR`
- `$PRIMARY`
- `$SECURITY`
- `$RELEASE`

Internal name: `cc_apt_configure`

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: ubuntu, debian

Config keys:

```
apt:
  preserve_sources_list: <true/false>
  disable_suites:
    - $RELEASE-updates
    - backports
    - $RELEASE
    - mysuite
  primary:
    - arches:
      - amd64
      - i386
      - default
    uri: "http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu"
  search:
    - "http://cool.but-sometimes-unreachable.com/ubuntu"
    - "http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu"
  search_dns: <true/false>
  arches:
    - s390x
    - arm64
  uri: "http://archive-to-use-for-arm64.example.com/ubuntu"
security:
  arches: "default"
  search_dns: true
sources_list:
  | deb $MIRROR $RELEASE main restricted
  | deb-src $MIRROR $RELEASE main restricted
```
Apt Pipelining

Summary: configure apt pipelining

This module configures apt’s Acquite::http::Pipeline-Depth option, which controls how apt handles HTTP pipelining. It may be useful for pipelining to be disabled, because some web servers, such as S3 do not pipeline properly (LP: #948461). The apt_pipelining config key may be set to false to disable pipelining altogether. This is the default behavior. If it is set to none, unchanged, or os, no change will be made to apt configuration and the default setting for the distro will be used. The pipeline depth can also be manually specified by setting apt_pipelining to a number. However, this is not recommended.

Internal name: cc_apt_pipelining

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: ubuntu, debian

Config keys: apt_pipelining: <false/none/unchanged/os/number>

Bootcmd

Summary: run commands early in boot process

This module runs arbitrary commands very early in the boot process, only slightly after a boothook would run. This is very similar to a boothook, but more user friendly. The environment variable INSTANCE_ID will be set to the current instance id for all run commands. Commands can be specified either as lists or strings. For invocation details, see runcmd.
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Note: bootcmd should only be used for things that could not be done later in the boot process.

Internal name: cc_bootcmd
Module frequency: per always
Supported distros: all
Config keys:

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<th>bootcmd:</th>
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<tr>
<td>- echo 192.168.1.130 us.archive.ubuntu.com &gt; /etc/hosts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- [ cloud-init-per, once, mymkfs, mkfs, /dev/vdb ]</td>
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</table>

Byobu

Summary: enable/disable byobu system wide and for default user

This module controls whether byobu is enabled or disabled system wide and for the default system user. If byobu is to be enabled, this module will ensure it is installed. Likewise, if it is to be disabled, it will be removed if installed.

Valid configuration options for this module are:

- enable-system: enable byobu system wide
- enable-user: enable byobu for the default user
- disable-system: disable byobu system wide
- disable-user: disable byobu for the default user
- enable: enable byobu both system wide and for default user
- disable: disable byobu for all users
- user: alias for enable-user
- system: alias for enable-system

Internal name: cc_byobu
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: ubuntu, debian
Config keys:

| byobu_by_default: <user/system> |

CA Certs

Summary: add ca certificates

This module adds CA certificates to /etc/ca-certificates.conf and updates the ssl cert cache using update-ca-certificates. The default certificates can be removed from the system with the configuration option remove-defaults.
**Cloud-Init, Release 0.7.9**

**Note:** certificates must be specified using valid yaml. In order to specify a multiline certificate, the yaml multiline list syntax must be used.

**Internal name:** cc_ca_certs  
**Module frequency:** per instance  
**Supported distros:** ubuntu, debian  
**Config keys:**

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<tr>
<td>remove-defaults: &lt;true/false&gt;</td>
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<tr>
<td>trusted:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- &lt;single line cert&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YOUR-ORGS-TRUSTED-CA-CERT-HERE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-----END CERTIFICATE-----</td>
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</table>

**Chef**

**Summary:** module that configures, starts and installs chef.

This module enables chef to be installed (from packages or from gems, or from omnibus). Before this occurs chef configurations are written to disk (validation.pem, client.pem, firstboot.json, client.rb), and needed chef folders/directories are created (/etc/chef and /var/log/chef and so-on). Then once installing proceeds correctly if configured chef will be started (in daemon mode or in non-daemon mode) and then once that has finished (if ran in non-daemon mode this will be when chef finishes converging, if ran in daemon mode then no further actions are possible since chef will have forked into its own process) then a post run function can run that can do finishing activities (such as removing the validation pem file).

**Internal name:** cc_chef  
**Module frequency:** per always  
**Supported distros:** all  
**Config keys:**

<table>
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<tr>
<td>directories: (defaulting to /etc/chef, /var/log/chef, /var/lib/chef, /var/cache/chef, /var/backups/chef, /var/run/chef)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>validation_cert: (optional string to be written to file validation_key)</td>
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<td>validation_key: (optional the path for validation_cert. default /etc/chef/validation.pem)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>firstboot_path: (path to write run_list and initial_attributes keys that should also be present in this configuration, defaults to /etc/chef/firstboot.json)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>exec: boolean to run or not run chef (defaults to false, unless a gem installed is requested where this will then default to true)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

chef.rb template keys (if falsey, then will be skipped and not written to /etc/chef/client.rb)
chef:
  client_key:
  environment:
  file_backup_path:
  file_cache_path:
  json_attribs:
  log_level:
  log_location:
  node_name:
  pid_file:
  server_url:
  show_time:
  ssl_verify_mode:
  validation_cert:
  validation_key:
  validation_name:

Debug

Summary: helper to debug cloud-init internal datastructures.

This module will enable for outputting various internal information that cloud-init sources provide to either a file or to the output console/log location that this cloud-init has been configured with when running.

Note: Log configurations are not output.

Internal name: cc_debug

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

debug:
  verbose: true/false (defaulting to true)
  output: (location to write output, defaulting to console + log)

Disable EC2 Metadata

Summary: disable aws ec2 metadata

This module can disable the ec2 datasource by rejecting the route to 169.254.169.254, the usual route to the datasource. This module is disabled by default.

Internal name: ccdisable_ec2_metadata

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

disable_ec2_metadata: <true/false>
Disk Setup

Summary: configure partitions and filesystems

This module is able to configure simple partition tables and filesystems.

Note: for more detail about configuration options for disk setup, see the disk setup example

For convenience, aliases can be specified for disks using the `device_aliases` config key, which takes a dictionary of alias: path mappings. There are automatic aliases for `swap` and `ephemeral<X>`, where `swap` will always refer to the active swap partition and `ephemeral<X>` will refer to the block device of the ephemeral image.

Disk partitioning is done using the `disk_setup` directive. This config directive accepts a dictionary where each key is either a path to a block device or an alias specified in `device_aliases`, and each value is the configuration options for the device. The `table_type` option specifies the partition table type, either `mbr` or `gpt`. The `layout` option specifies how partitions on the device are to be arranged. If `layout` is set to `true`, a single partition using all the space on the device will be created. If set to `false`, no partitions will be created. Partitions can be specified by providing a list to `layout`, where each entry in the list is either a size or a list containing a size and the numerical value for a partition type. The size for partitions is specified in percentage of disk space, not in bytes (e.g. a size of 33 would take up 1/3 of the disk space). The `overwrite` option controls whether this module tries to be safe about writing partition tables or not. If `overwrite: false` is set, the device will be checked for a partition table and for a file system and if either is found, the operation will be skipped. If `overwrite: true` is set, no checks will be performed.

Note: Using `overwrite: true` is dangerous and can lead to data loss, so double check that the correct device has been specified if using this option.

File system configuration is done using the `fs_setup` directive. This config directive accepts a list of filesystem configs. The device to create the filesystem on may be specified either as a path or as an alias in the format `<alias name>.<y>` where `<y>` denotes the partition number on the device. The partition can also be specified by setting `partition` to the desired partition number. The `partition` option may also be set to `auto`, in which this module will search for the existence of a filesystem matching the `label`, `type` and `device` of the `fs_setup` entry and will skip creating the filesystem if one is found. The `partition` option may also be set to `any`, in which case any file system that matches `type` and `device` will cause this module to skip filesystem creation for the `fs_setup` entry, regardless of `label` matching or not. To write a filesystem directly to a device, use `partition: none`. A label can be specified for the filesystem using `label`, and the filesystem type can be specified using `filesystem`.

Note: If specifying device using the `<device name>.<partition number>` format, the value of `partition` will be overwritten.

Note: Using `overwrite: true` for filesystems is dangerous and can lead to data loss, so double check the entry in `fs_setup`.

Internal name: `cc_disk_setup`

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:
device_aliases:
  <alias name>: <device path>
disk_setup:
  <alias name/path>:
    table_type: <mbr'/gpt'>
    layout:
      - [33,82]
      - 66
    overwrite: <true/false>
fs_setup:
  - label: <label>
    filesystem: <filesystem type>
    device: <device>
    partition: <"auto"/"any"/"none"/<partition number>>
    overwrite: <true/false>
    replace_fs: <filesystem type>

Emit Upstart

Summary: emit upstart configuration
Emit upstart configuration for cloud-init modules on upstart based systems. No user configuration should be required.

Internal name: cc_emit_upstart

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: ubuntu, debian

Fan

Summary: configure ubuntu fan networking
This module installs, configures and starts the ubuntu fan network system. For more information about Ubuntu Fan, see: https://wiki.ubuntu.com/FanNetworking.

If cloud-init sees a fan entry in cloud-config it will:

- write config_path with the contents of the config key
- install the package ubuntu-fan if it is not installed
- ensure the service is started (or restarted if was previously running)

Internal name: cc_fan

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: ubuntu

Config keys:

fan:
  config: |
  # fan 240
  10.0.0.0/8 eth0/16 dhcp
  10.0.0.0/8 eth1/16 dhcp off
  # fan 241
  241.0.0.0/8 eth0/16 dhcp
  config_path: /etc/network/fan
Final Message

Summary: output final message when cloud-init has finished

This module configures the final message that cloud-init writes. The message is specified as a jinja template with the following variables set:

- **version**: cloud-init version
- **timestamp**: time at cloud-init finish
- **datasource**: cloud-init data source
- **uptime**: system uptime

**Internal name**: cc_final_message

**Module frequency**: per always

**Supported distros**: all

**Config keys**:

```
final_message: <message>
```

Foo

Summary: example module

Example to show module structure. Does not do anything.

**Internal name**: cc_foo

**Module frequency**: per instance

**Supported distros**: all

Growpart

Summary: grow partitions

Growpart resizes partitions to fill the available disk space. This is useful for cloud instances with a larger amount of disk space available than the pristine image uses, as it allows the instance to automatically make use of the extra space.

The devices run growpart on are specified as a list under the `devices` key. Each entry in the devices list can be either the path to the device’s mountpoint in the filesystem or a path to the block device in `/dev`.

The utility to use for resizing can be selected using the `mode` config key. If `mode` key is set to `auto`, then any available utility (either `growpart` or `gpart`) will be used. If neither utility is available, no error will be raised. If `mode` is set to `growpart`, then the `growpart` utility will be used. If this utility is not available on the system, this will result in an error. If `mode` is set to `off` or `false`, then `cc_growpart` will take no action.

There is some functionality overlap between this module and the `growroot` functionality of `cloud-initramfs-tools`. However, there are some situations where one tool is able to function and the other is not. The default configuration for both should work for most cloud instances. To explicitly prevent `cloud-initramfs-tools` from running `growroot`, the file `/etc/growroot-disabled` can be created. By default, both `growroot` and `cc_growpart` will check for the existance of this file and will not run if it is
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present. However, this file can be ignored for cc_growpart by setting ignore_growroot_disabled to true. For more information on cloud-initramfs-tools see: https://launchpad.net/cloud-initramfs-tools

Growpart is enabled by default on the root partition. The default config for growpart is:

```yaml
growpart:
  mode: auto
  devices: ["/"]
  ignore_growroot_disabled: false
```

Internal name: cc_growpart

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```yaml
growpart:
  mode: <auto/growpart/off/false>
  devices:
    - "/"
    - "/dev/vdb1"
  ignore_growroot_disabled: <true/false>
```

Grub Dpkg

**Summary**: configure grub debconf installation device

Configure which device is used as the target for grub installation. This module should work correctly by default without any user configuration. It can be enabled/disabled using the enabled config key in the grub_dpkg config dict. The global config key grub-dpkg is an alias for grub_dpkg. If no installation device is specified this module will look for the first existing device in:

- /dev/sda
- /dev/vda
- /dev/xvda
- /dev/sda1
- /dev/vda1
- /dev/xvda1

Internal name: cc_grub_dpkg

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: ubuntu, debian

Config keys:

```yaml
grub_dpkg:
  enabled: <true/false>
  grub-pc/install_devices: <devices>
  grub-pc/install_devices_empty: <devices>
grub-dpkg: (alias for grub_dpkg)
```
**Keys to Console**

**Summary:** control which ssh keys may be written to console

For security reasons it may be desirable not to write ssh fingerprints and keys to the console. To avoid the fingerprint of types of ssh keys being written to console the `ssh_fp_console_blacklist` config key can be used. By default all types of keys will have their fingerprints written to console. To avoid keys of a key type being written to console the `ssh_key_console_blacklist` config key can be used. By default ssh-dss keys are not written to console.

**Internal name:** cc_keys_to_console

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

**Config keys:**

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**Landscape**

**Summary:** install and configure landscape client

This module installs and configures `landscape-client`. The landscape client will only be installed if the key `landscape` is present in config. Landscape client configuration is given under the `client` key under the main `landscape` config key. The config parameters are not interpreted by cloud-init, but rather are converted into a ConfigObj formatted file and written out to `/etc/landscape/client.conf`.

The following default client config is provided, but can be overridden:

```json
landscape:
    client:
        log_level: "info"
        url: "https://landscape.canonical.com/message-system"
        ping_url: "http://landscape.canonical.com/ping"
        data_path: "/var/lib/landscape/client"
```

**Note:** see landscape documentation for client config keys

**Note:** if `tags` is defined, its contents should be a string delimited with `,` rather than a list

**Internal name:** cc_landscape

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** ubuntu

**Config keys:**

```json
landscape:
    client:
        url: "https://landscape.canonical.com/message-system"
        ping_url: "http://landscape.canonical.com/ping"
        data_path: "/var/lib/landscape/client"
        http_proxy: "http://my.proxy.com/foobar"
```
https_proxy: "https://my.proxy.com/foobar"
tags: "server, cloud"
computer_title: "footitle"
registration_key: "fookey"
account_name: "foooaccount"

Locale

Summary: set system locale
Configure the system locale and apply it system wide. By default use the locale specified by the datasource.

Internal name: cc_locale
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all

Config keys:

locale: <locale str>
locale_configfile: <path to locale config file>

LXD

Summary: configure lxd with lxd init and optionally lxd-bridge
This module configures lxd with user specified options using lxd init. If lxd is not present on the system but lxd configuration is provided, then lxd will be installed. If the selected storage backend is zfs, then zfs will be installed if missing. If network bridge configuration is provided, then lxd-bridge will be configured accordingly.

Internal name: cc_lxd
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: ubuntu

Config keys:

lxd:
  init:
    network_address: <ip addr>
    network_port: <port>
    storage_backend: <zfs/dir>
    storage_create_device: <dev>
    storage_create_loop: <size>
    storage_pool: <name>
    trust_password: <password>
  bridge:
    mode: <new, existing or none>
    name: <name>
    ipv4_address: <ip addr>
    ipv4_netmask: <cidr>
    ipv4_dhcp_first: <ip addr>
    ipv4_dhcp_last: <ip addr>
    ipv4_dhcp_leases: <size>
    ipv4_nat: <bool>
    ipv6_address: <ip addr>
Mcollective

Summary: install, configure and start mcollective

This module installs, configures and starts mcollective. If the mcollective key is present in config, then mcollective will be installed and started.

Configuration for mcollective can be specified in the conf key under mcollective. Each config value consists of a key value pair and will be written to /etc/mcollective/server.cfg. The public-cert and private-cert keys, if present in conf may be used to specify the public and private certificates for mcollective. Their values will be written to /etc/mcollective/ssl/server-public.pem and /etc/mcollective/ssl/server-private.pem.

Note: The ec2 metadata service is readable by non-root users. If security is a concern, use include-once and ssl urls.

Internal name: cc_mcollective

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```yaml
mcollective:
  conf:
    <key>: <value>
  public-cert: |
    -------BEGIN CERTIFICATE-------
    <cert data>
    -------END CERTIFICATE-------
  private-cert: |
    -------BEGIN CERTIFICATE-------
    <cert data>
    -------END CERTIFICATE-------
```

Migrator

Summary: migrate old versions of cloud-init data to new

This module handles moving old versions of cloud-init data to newer ones. Currently, it only handles renaming cloud-init’s per-frequency semaphore files to canonicalized name and renaming legacy semaphore names to newer ones. This module is enabled by default, but can be disabled by specifying migrate: false in config.

Internal name: cc_migrator

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: all

Config keys:
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**migrate: [true/false]**

**Mounts**

**Summary:** configure mount points and swap files

This module can add or remove mountpoints from `/etc/fstab` as well as configure swap. The `mounts` config key takes a list of `fstab` entries to add. Each entry is specified as a list of `[fs_spec, fs_file, fs_vfstype, fs_mntops, fs-freq, fs_passno]`. For more information on these options, consult the manual for `/etc/fstab`. When specifying the `fs_spec`, if the device name starts with one of `xvd`, `sd`, `hd`, or `vd`, the leading `/dev` may be omitted.

In order to remove a previously listed mount, an entry can be added to the `mounts` list containing `fs_spec` for the device to be removed but no mountpoint (i.e. `[sda1]` or `[sda1, null]`).

The `mount_default_fields` config key allows default options to be specified for the values in a `mounts` entry that are not specified, aside from the `fs_spec` and the `fs_file`. If specified, this must be a list containing 7 values. It defaults to:

```
mount_default_fields: [none, none, "auto", "defaults,nofail", "0", "2"
```

On a systemd booted system that default is the mostly equivalent:

```
mount_default_fields: [none, none, "auto",
  "defaults,nofail,x-systemd.requires=cloud-init.service", "0", "2"]
```

Note that `nofail` is an Upstart specific boot option that somewhat equates to the more standard `nofail`.

Swap files can be configured by setting the path to the swap file to create with `filename`, the size of the swap file with `size` maximum size of the swap file if using an `size: auto` with `maxsize`. By default no swap file is created.

**Internal name:** cc_mounts

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

**Config keys:**

```
mounts:
  - [ /dev/ephemeral10, /mnt, auto, "defaults,noexec" ]
  - [ sdc, /opt/data ]
  - [ xvdh, /opt/data, "auto", "defaults,nofail", "0", "0" ]

mount_default_fields: [None, None, "auto", "defaults,nofail", "0", "2"
```

swap:

```
filename: <file>
size: <"auto"/size in bytes>
maxsize: <size in bytes>
```

**NTP**

**Summary:** enable and configure ntp

Handle ntp configuration. If ntp is not installed on the system and ntp configuration is specified, ntp will be installed. If there is a default ntp config file in the image or one is present in the distro’s ntp package, it will be copied to `/etc/ntp.conf.dist` before any changes are made. A list of ntp pools and ntp servers can be provided under the ntp
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config key. If no ntp servers or pools are provided, 4 pools will be used in the format {0-3}.{distro}.pool.ntp.org.

**Internal name:** cc_ntp

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** centos, debian, fedora, opensuse, ubuntu

**Config keys:**

```yaml
ntp:
  pools:
    - 0.company.pool.ntp.org
    - 1.company.pool.ntp.org
    - ntp.myorg.org
  servers:
    - my.ntp.server.local
    - ntp.ubuntu.com
    - 192.168.23.2
```

**Package Update Upgrade Install**

**Summary:** update, upgrade, and install packages

This module allows packages to be updated, upgraded or installed during boot. If any packages are to be installed or an upgrade is to be performed then the package cache will be updated first. If a package installation or upgrade requires a reboot, then a reboot can be performed if `package_reboot_if_required` is specified. A list of packages to install can be provided. Each entry in the list can be either a package name or a list with two entries, the first being the package name and the second being the specific package version to install.

**Internal name:** cc_package_update_upgrade_install

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

**Config keys:**

```yaml
packages:
  - pwgen
  - pastebininit
  [libpython2.7, 2.7.3-0ubuntu3.1]
package_update: <true/false>
package_upgrade: <true/false>
package_reboot_if_required: <true/false>
apt_update: (alias for package_update)
apt_upgrade: (alias for package_upgrade)
apt_reboot_if_required: (alias for package_reboot_if_required)
```

**Phone Home**

**Summary:** post data to url

This module can be used to post data to a remote host after boot is complete. If the post url contains the string `$INSTANCE_ID` it will be replaced with the id of the current instance. Either all data can be posted or a list of keys to post. Available keys are:
• pub_key_dsa
• pub_key_rsa
• pub_key_ecdsa
• instance_id
• hostname
• fdqn

Internal name: cc_phone_home
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```
phone_home:
  url: http://example.com/$INSTANCE_ID/
  post:
    - pub_key_dsa
    - instance_id
    - fdqn
  tries: 10
```

## Power State Change

Summary: change power state

This module handles shutdown/reboot after all config modules have been run. By default it will take no action, and the system will keep running unless a package installation/upgrade requires a system reboot (e.g. installing a new kernel) and package_reboot_if_required is true. The power_state config key accepts a dict of options. If mode is any value other than poweroff, halt, or reboot, then no action will be taken.

The system can be shutdown before cloud-init has finished using the timeout option. The delay key specifies a duration to be added onto any shutdown command used. Therefore, if a 5 minute delay and a 120 second shutdown are specified, the maximum amount of time between cloud-init starting and the system shutting down is 7 minutes, and the minimum amount of time is 5 minutes. The delay key must have an argument in a form that the shutdown utility recognizes. The most common format is the form +5 for 5 minutes. See `man shutdown` for more options.

Optionally, a command can be run to determine whether or not the system should shut down. The command to be run should be specified in the condition key. For command formatting, see the documentation for cc_runcmd. The specified shutdown behavior will only take place if the condition key is omitted or the command specified by the condition key returns 0.

Internal name: cc_power_state_change
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```
power_state:
  delay: <now/’+minutes’>
  mode: <poweroff/halt/reboot>
  message: <shutdown message>
  timeout: <seconds>
  condition: <true/false/command>
```
Puppet

Summary: install, configure and start puppet

This module handles puppet installation and configuration. If the puppet key does not exist in global configuration, no action will be taken. If a config entry for puppet is present, then by default the latest version of puppet will be installed. If install is set to false, puppet will not be installed. However, this may result in an error if puppet is not already present on the system. The version of puppet to be installed can be specified under version, and defaults to none, which selects the latest version in the repos. If the puppet config key exists in the config archive, this module will attempt to start puppet even if no installation was performed.

Puppet configuration can be specified under the conf key. The configuration is specified as a dictionary which is converted into <key>=<value> format and appended to puppet.conf under the [puppetd] section. The certname key supports string substitutions for %i and %f, corresponding to the instance id and fqdn of the machine respectively. If ca_cert is present under conf, it will not be written to puppet.conf, but instead will be used as the puppermaster certificate. It should be specified in pem format as a multi-line string (using the | yaml notation).

Internal name: cc_puppet

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```yaml
puppet:
  install: <true/false>
  version: <version>
  conf:
    server: "puppetmaster.example.org"
    certname: "%i.%f"
    ca_cert: |
      -------BEGIN CERTIFICATE-------
      <cert data>
      -------END CERTIFICATE-------
```

Resizefs

Summary: resize filesystem

Resize a filesystem to use all available space on partition. This module is useful along with cc_growpart and will ensure that if the root partition has been resized the root filesystem will be resized along with it. By default, cc_resizefs will resize the root partition and will block the boot process while the resize command is running. Optionally, the resize operation can be performed in the background while cloud-init continues running modules. This can be enabled by setting resize_rootfs to true. This module can be disabled altogether by setting resize_rootfs to false.

Internal name: cc_resizefs

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```yaml
resize_rootfs: <true/false/"noblock">
resize_rootfs_tmp: <directory>
```
Resolv Conf

**Summary:** configure resolv.conf

This module is intended to manage resolv.conf in environments where early configuration of resolv.conf is necessary for further bootstrapping and/or where configuration management such as puppet or chef own dns configuration. As Debian/Ubuntu will, by default, utilize resolvconf, and similarly RedHat will use sysconfig, this module is likely to be of little use unless those are configured correctly.

**Note:** For RedHat with sysconfig, be sure to set PEERDNS=no for all DHCP enabled NICs.

**Note:** And, in Ubuntu/Debian it is recommended that DNS be configured via the standard /etc/network/interfaces configuration file.

**Internal name:** cc_resolv_conf

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** fedora, rhel, sles

**Config keys:**

```yaml
manage_resolv_conf: <true/false>
resolv_conf:
    nameservers: ['8.8.4.4', '8.8.8.8']
    searchdomains:
        - foo.example.com
        - bar.example.com
    domain: example.com
    options:
        rotate: <true/false>
        timeout: 1
```

RedHat Subscription

**Summary:** register red hat enterprise linux based system

Register a RedHat system either by username and password or activation and org. Following a sucessful registration, you can auto-attach subscriptions, set the service level, add subscriptions based on pool id, enable/disable yum repositories based on repo id, and alter the rhsm_baseurl and server-hostname in /etc/rhsm/rhs.conf. For more details, see the Register RedHat Subscription example config.

**Internal name:** cc_rh_subscription

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** rhel, fedora

**Config keys:**

```yaml
rh_subscription:
    username: <username>
    password: <password>
    activation-key: <activation key>
    org: <org number>
    auto-attach: <true/false>
```
Rightscale Userdata

Summary: support rightscale configuration hooks

This module adds support for RightScale configuration hooks to cloud-init. RightScale adds a entry in the format CLOUD_INIT_REMOTE_HOOK=http://... to ec2 user-data. This module checks for this line in the raw userdata and retrieves any scripts linked by the RightScale user data and places them in the user scripts configuration directory, to be run later by cc_scripts_user.

Note: the CLOUD_INIT_REMOTE_HOOK config variable is present in the raw ec2 user data only, not in any cloud-config parts

Internal name: cc_rightscale_userdata

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

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Rsyslog

Summary: configure system logging via rsyslog

This module configures remote system logging using rsyslog.

The rsyslog config file to write to can be specified in config_filename, which defaults to 20-cloud-config.conf. The rsyslog config directory to write config files to may be specified in config_dir, which defaults to /etc/rsyslog.d.

A list of configurations for for rsyslog can be specified under the configs key in the rsyslog config. Each entry in configs is either a string or a dictionary. Each config entry contains a configuration string and a file to write it to. For config entries that are a dictionary, filename sets the target filename and content specifies the config string to write. For config entries that are only a string, the string is used as the config string to write. If the filename to write the config to is not specified, the value of the config_filename key is used. A file with the selected filename will be written inside the directory specified by config_dir.

The command to use to reload the rsyslog service after the config has been updated can be specified in service_reload_command. If this is set to auto, then an appropriate command for the distro will be used. This is the default behavior. To manually set the command, use a list of command args (e.g. [systemctl, restart, rsyslog]).

Configuration for remote servers can be specified in configs, but for convenience it can be specified as key value pairs in remotes. Each key is the name for an rsyslog remote entry. Each value holds the contents of the remote config for rsyslog. The config consists of the following parts:
• filter for log messages (defaults to *.*)
• optional leading @ or @@, indicating udp and tcp respectively (defaults to @, for udp)
• ipv4 or ipv6 hostname or address. ipv6 addresses must be in [::1] format, (e.g. @[fd00::1]:514)
• optional port number (defaults to 514)

This module will provide sane defaults for any part of the remote entry that is not specified, so in most cases remote hosts can be specified just using <name>: <address>.

For backwards compatibility, this module still supports legacy names for the config entries. Legacy to new mappings are as follows:

• rsyslog -> rsyslog/configs
• rsyslog_filename -> rsyslog/config_filename
• rsyslog_dir -> rsyslog/config_dir

Note: The legacy config format does not support specifying service_reload_command.

Internal name: cc_rsyslog
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all

Config keys:

rsyslog:
  config_dir: config_dir
  config_filename: config_filename
  configs:
  - "*.@192.158.1.1"
  - content: "*. @192.0.2.1:10514"
    filename: 01-example.conf
  - content: |
    *. @syslogd.example.com
  remotes:
    maas: "192.168.1.1"
    juju: "10.0.4.1"
  service_reload_command: [your, syslog, restart, command]

Legacy config keys:

rsyslog:
  - "*. @192.158.1.1"
rsyslog_dir: /etc/rsyslog-config.d/
rsyslog_filename: 99-local.conf

Runcmd

Summary: run commands

Run arbitrary commands at a rc.local like level with output to the console. Each item can be either a list or a string. If the item is a list, it will be properly executed as if passed to execve() (with the first arg as the command). If the item is a string, it will be written to a file and interpreted using sh.
Note: all commands must be proper yaml, so you have to quote any characters yaml would eat (‘:’ can be problematic)

Internal name: cc_runcmd
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all
Config keys:

runcmd:
- [ ls, -l, / ]
- [ sh, -xc, "echo \$(date) ': hello world!'" ]
- [ sh, -c, echo "==========hello world========="]
- ls -l /root
- [ wget, "http://example.org", -O, /tmp/index.html ]

Salt Minion

Summary: set up and run salt minion
This module installs, configures and starts salt minion. If the salt_minion key is present in the config parts, then salt minion will be installed and started. Configuration for salt minion can be specified in the conf key under salt_minion. Any conf values present there will be assigned in /etc/salt/minion. The public and private keys to use for salt minion can be specified with public_key and private_key respectively.

Internal name: cc_salt_minion
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all
Config keys:

salt_minion:
  conf:
    master: salt.example.com
    public_key: |
      ------BEGIN PUBLIC KEY------
      <key data>
      ------END PUBLIC KEY------
    private_key: |
      ------BEGIN PRIVATE KEY------
      <key data>
      ------END PRIVATE KEY------

Scripts Per Boot

Summary: run per boot scripts
Any scripts in the scripts/per-boot directory on the datasource will be run every time the system boots. Scripts will be run in alphabetical order. This module does not accept any config keys.

Internal name: cc_scripts_per_boot
Module frequency: per always
Supported distros: all
**Scripts Per Instance**

**Summary:** run per instance scripts

Any scripts in the `scripts/per-instance` directory on the datasource will be run when a new instance is first booted. Scripts will be run in alphabetical order. This module does not accept any config keys.

**Internal name:** `cc_scripts_per_instance`

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

**Scripts Per Once**

**Summary:** run one time scripts

Any scripts in the `scripts/per-once` directory on the datasource will be run only once. Scripts will be run in alphabetical order. This module does not accept any config keys.

**Internal name:** `cc_scripts_per_once`

**Module frequency:** per once

**Supported distros:** all

**Scripts User**

**Summary:** run user scripts

This module runs all user scripts. User scripts are not specified in the `scripts` directory in the datasource, but rather are present in the `scripts` dir in the instance configuration. Any cloud-config parts with a `#!` will be treated as a script and run. Scripts specified as cloud-config parts will be run in the order they are specified in the configuration. This module does not accept any config keys.

**Internal name:** `cc_scripts_user`

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

**Scripts Vendor**

**Summary:** run vendor scripts

Any scripts in the `scripts/vendor` directory in the datasource will be run when a new instance is first booted. Scripts will be run in alphabetical order. Vendor scripts can be run with an optional prefix specified in the `prefix` entry under the `vendor_data` config key.

**Internal name:** `cc_scripts_vendor`

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

**Config keys:**

```
vendor_data:
    prefix: <vendor data prefix>
```
Seed Random

**Summary:** provide random seed data

Since all cloud instances started from the same image will produce very similar data when they are first booted, as they are all starting with the same seed for the kernel’s entropy keyring. To avoid this, random seed data can be provided to the instance either as a string or by specifying a command to run to generate the data.

Configuration for this module is under the `random_seed` config key. The `file` key specifies the path to write the data to, defaulting to `/dev/urandom`. Data can be passed in directly with `data`, and may optionally be specified in encoded form, with the encoding specified in `encoding`.

**Note:** when using a multiline value for `data` or specifying binary data, be sure to follow yaml syntax and use the `|` and `!binary` yaml format specifiers when appropriate.

Instead of specifying a data string, a command can be run to generate/collect the data to be written. The command should be specified as a list of args in the `command` key. If a command is specified that cannot be run, no error will be reported unless `command_required` is set to true.

For example, to use `pollinate` to gather data from a remote entropy server and write it to `/dev/urandom`, the following could be used:

```
random_seed:
  file: /dev/urandom
  command: ["pollinate", "--server=http://local.polinate.server"]
  command_required: true
```

Internal name: cc_seed_random

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```
random_seed:
  file: <file>
  data: <random string>
  encoding: <raw/base64/b64/gzip/gz>
  command: [<cmd name>, <arg1>, <arg2>...]
  command_required: <true/false>
```

Set Hostname

**Summary:** set hostname and fqdn

This module handles setting the system hostname and fqdn. If `preserve_hostname` is set, then the hostname will not be altered.

A hostname and fqdn can be provided by specifying a full domain name under the `fqdn` key. Alternatively, a hostname can be specified using the `hostname` key, and the fqdn of the cloud will be used. If a fqdn specified with the `hostname` key, it will be handled properly, although it is better to use the `fqdn` config key. If both fqdn and hostname are set, fqdn will be used.

Internal name: per instance

Supported distros: all
Config keys:

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Set Passwords

**Summary:** Set user passwords

Set system passwords and enable or disable ssh password authentication. The chpasswd config key accepts a dictionary containing a single one of two keys, either expire or list. If expire is specified and is set to false, then the password global config key is used as the password for all user accounts. If the expire key is specified and is set to true then user passwords will be expired, preventing the default system passwords from being used.

If the list key is provided, a list of username:password pairs can be specified. The usernames specified must already exist on the system, or have been created using the cc_users_groups module. A password can be randomly generated using username:RANDOM or username:R. Password ssh authentication can be enabled, disabled, or left to system defaults using ssh_pwauth.

**Note:** if using expire: true then a ssh authkey should be specified or it may not be possible to login to the system

**Internal name:** cc_set_passwords

**Module frequency:** per instance

**Supported distros:** all

Config keys:

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<td>ssh_pwauth</td>
<td>&lt;yes/no/unchanged&gt;</td>
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<td>password</td>
<td>password1</td>
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<tr>
<td>chpasswd</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>expire: &lt;true/false&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>chpasswd</td>
<td>list:</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- user1:password1</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- user2:Random</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- user3:password3</td>
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<td>- user4:R</td>
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Snappy

**Summary:** snappy modules allows configuration of snappy.

The below example config config would install etcd, and then install pkg2.smoser with a <config-file> argument where config-file has config-blob inside it. If pkgname is installed already, then snappy config pkgname <file> will be called where file has pkgname-config-blob as its content.

Entries in config can be namedpaced or non-namespaced for a package. In either case, the config provided to snappy command is non-namespaced. The package name is provided as it appears.

If packages_dir has files in it that end in .snap, then they are installed. Given 3 files:
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• <packages_dir>/foo.snap
• <packages_dir>/foo.config
• <packages_dir>/bar.snap

cloud-init will invoke:
• snappy install <packages_dir>/foo.snap <packages_dir>/foo.config
• snappy install <packages_dir>/bar.snap

Note: that if provided a config entry for ubuntu-core, then cloud-init will invoke: snappy config ubuntu-core <config> allowing you to configure ubuntu-core in this way.

The ssh_enabled key controls the system’s ssh service. The default value is auto. Options are:

- **True**: enable ssh service
- **False**: disable ssh service
- **auto**: enable ssh service if either ssh keys have been provided or user has requested password authentication (ssh_pwauth).

**Internal name**: cc_snappy

**Module frequency**: per instance

**Supported distros**: ubuntu

**Config keys**:

```
#cloud-config
snappy:
  system_snappy: auto
  ssh_enabled: auto
  packages: [etcd, pkg2.smoser]
  config:
    pkgname:
      key2: value2
    pkg2:
      key1: value1
  packages_dir: '/writable/user-data/cloud-init/snaps'
```

**Spacewalk**

**Summary**: install and configure spacewalk

This module installs spacewalk and applies basic configuration. If the spacewalk config key is present spacewalk will be installed. The server to connect to after installation must be provided in the server in spacewalk configuration. A proxy to connect through and a activation key may optionally be specified.

For more information about spacewalk see: https://fedorahosted.org/spacewalk/

**Internal name**: cc_spacewalk

**Module frequency**: per instance

**Supported distros**: redhat, fedora

**Config keys**: 

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SSH

Summary: configure ssh and ssh keys

This module handles most configuration for ssh and ssh keys. Many images have default ssh keys, which can be removed using `ssh_deletekeys`. Since removing default keys is usually the desired behavior this option is enabled by default.

Keys can be added using the `ssh_keys` configuration key. The argument to this config key should be a dictionary entries for the public and private keys of each desired key type. Entries in the `ssh_keys` config dict should have keys in the format `<key type>_private` and `<key type>_public`, e.g. `rsa_private: <key>` and `rsa_public: <key>`. See below for supported key types. Not all key types have to be specified, ones left unspecified will not be used. If this config option is used, then no keys will be generated.

Note: when specifying private keys in cloud-config, care should be taken to ensure that the communication between the data source and the instance is secure

Note: to specify multiline private keys, use yaml multiline syntax

If no keys are specified using `ssh_keys`, then keys will be generated using `ssh-keygen`. By default one public/private pair of each supported key type will be generated. The key types to generate can be specified using the `ssh_genkeytypes` config flag, which accepts a list of key types to use. For each key type for which this module has been instructed to create a keypair, if a key of the same type is already present on the system (i.e. if `ssh_deletekeys` was false), no key will be generated.

Supported key types for the `ssh_keys` and the `ssh_genkeytypes` config flags are:

- rsa
- dsa
- ecdsa
- ed25519

Root login can be enabled/disabled using the `disable_root` config key. Root login options can be manually specified with `disable_root_opts`. If `disable_root_opts` is specified and contains the string `$USER`, it will be replaced with the username of the default user. By default, root login is disabled, and root login opts are set to:

```
no-port-forwarding,no-agent-forwarding,no-X11-forwarding
```

Authorized keys for the default user/first user defined in `users` can be specified using `ssh Authorized Keys`. Keys should be specified as a list of public keys.

Note: see the `cc_set_passwords` module documentation to enable/disable ssh password authentication

Internal name: `cc_ssh`

Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```plaintext
ssh_deletekeys: <true/false>
ssh_keys:
  rsa_private: |
    -----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
    MIIBxwIBAAJhAKD0YSHy73nUgys0i3XsJmd4fHiFyQ+00R7VVu2iV9Qco ...
    -----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
  rsa_public: ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABlwaAAAGEAoFhrfLvedSDKw7Xd ...
  dsa_private: |
    -----BEGIN DSA PRIVATE KEY-----
    MIIBxwIBAAJhAKD0YSHy73nUgys0i3XsJmd4fHiFyQ+00R7VVu2iV9Qco ...
    -----END DSA PRIVATE KEY-----
  dsa_public: ssh-dsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABlwaAAAGEAoFhrfLvedSDKw7Xd ...
ssh_genkeytypes: <key type>
disable_root: <true/false>
disable_root_opts: <disable root options string>
ssh_authorized_keys:
  - ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABlwaAAAGEAoFhrfLvedSDKw7Xd ...
  - ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABlwaAAAGEAoFhrfLvedSDKw7Xd ...
```

### SSH Authkey Fingerprints

**Summary:** log fingerprints of user ssh keys

Write fingerprints of authorized keys for each user to log. This is enabled by default, but can be disabled using no_ssh_fingerprints. The hash type for the keys can be specified, but defaults to md5.

**Internal name:** ‘cc_ssh_authkey_fingerprints’

**Module frequency:** per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

```plaintext
no_ssh_fingerprints: <true/false>
authkey_hash: <hash type>
```

### SSH Import Id

**Summary:** import ssh id

This module imports ssh keys from either a public keys server, usually launchpad or github using ssh-import-id. Keys are referenced by the username they are associated with on the keys server. The keys server can be specified by prepending either lp: for launchpad or gh: for github to the username.

**Internal name:** cc_ssh_import_id

**Module frequency:** per instance

Supported distros: ubuntu, debian

Config keys:
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ssh_import_id:
- user
- gh:user
- lp:user

Timezone

Summary: set system timezone

Set the system timezone. If any args are passed to the module then the first will be used for the timezone. Otherwise, the module will attempt to retrieve the timezone from cloud config.

Internal name: cc_timezone

Module frequency: per instance

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

timezone: <timezone>

Ubuntu Init Switch

Summary: reboot system into another init.

This module provides a way for the user to boot with systemd even if the image is set to boot with upstart. It should be run as one of the first cloud_init_modules, and will switch the init system and then issue a reboot. The next boot will come up in the target init system and no action will be taken. This should be inert on non-ubuntu systems, and also exit quickly.

Note: best effort is made, but it’s possible this system will break, and probably won’t interact well with any other mechanism you’ve used to switch the init system.

Internal name: cc_ubuntu_init_switch

Module frequency: once per instance

Supported distros: ubuntu

Config keys:

init_switch:
  target: systemd (can be 'systemd' or 'upstart')
  reboot: true (reboot if a change was made, or false to not reboot)

Update Etc Hosts

Summary: update /etc/hosts

This module will update the contents of /etc/hosts based on the hostname/fqdn specified in config. Management of /etc/hosts is controlled using manage_etc_hosts. If this is set to false, cloud-init will not manage /etc/hosts at all. This is the default behavior.
If set to true or template, cloud-init will generate /etc/hosts using the template located in /etc/cloud/templates/hosts.tmpl. In the /etc/cloud/templates/hosts.tmpl template, the strings $hostname and $fqdn will be replaced with the hostname and fqdn respectively.

If manage_etc_hosts is set to localhost, then cloud-init will not rewrite /etc/hosts entirely, but rather will ensure that an entry for the fqdn with ip 127.0.1.1 is present in /etc/hosts (i.e. ping <hostname> will ping 127.0.1.1).

Note: if manage_etc_hosts is set true or template, the contents of /etc/hosts will be updated every boot. To make any changes to /etc/hosts persistent they must be made in /etc/cloud/templates/hosts.tmpl.

Note: for instructions on specifying hostname and fqdn, see documentation for cc_set_hostname

Internal name: cc_update_etc_hosts

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

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Update Hostname

Summary: update hostname and fqdn

This module will update the system hostname and fqdn. If preserve_hostname is set, then the hostname will not be altered.

Note: for instructions on specifying hostname and fqdn, see documentation for cc_set_hostname

Internal name: cc_update_hostname

Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: all

Config keys:

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Users and Groups

Summary: configure users and groups

This module configures users and groups. For more detailed information on user options, see the Including users and groups config example.
Groups to add to the system can be specified as a list under the `groups` key. Each entry in the list should either contain a the group name as a string, or a dictionary with the group name as the key and a list of users who should be members of the group as the value.

The `users` config key takes a list of users to configure. The first entry in this list is used as the default user for the system. To preserve the standard default user for the distro, the string `default` may be used as the first entry of the `users` list. Each entry in the `users` list, other than a `default` entry, should be a dictionary of options for the user. Supported config keys for an entry in `users` are as follows:

- **name**: The user’s login name
- **homedir**: Optional. Home dir for user. Default is `/home/<username>`
- **primary-group**: Optional. Primary group for user. Default to new group named after user.
- **groups**: Optional. Additional groups to add the user to. Default: none
- **selinux-user**: Optional. SELinux user for user’s login. Default to default SELinux user.
- **lock_passwd**: Optional. Disable password login. Default: true
- **inactive**: Optional. Mark user inactive. Default: false
- **passwd**: Hash of user password
- **no-create-home**: Optional. Do not create home directory. Default: false
- **no-user-group**: Optional. Do not create group named after user. Default: false
- **no-log-init**: Optional. Do not initialize lastlog and faillog for user. Default: false
- **ssh-import-id**: Optional. SSH id to import for user. Default: none
- **ssh-authorized-keys**: Optional. List of ssh keys to add to user’s authkeys file. Default: none
- **sudo**: Optional. Sudo rule to use, or list of sudo rules to use. Default: none.
- **system**: Optional. Create user as system user with no home directory. Default: false

**Note**: Specifying a hash of a user’s password with `passwd` is a security risk if the cloud-config can be intercepted. SSH authentication is preferred.

**Note**: If specifying a sudo rule for a user, ensure that the syntax for the rule is valid, as it is not checked by cloud-init.

**Internal name**: `cc_users_groups`

**Module frequency**: per instance

**Supported distros**: all

**Config keys**:

```yaml
groups:
  - ubuntu: [foo, bar]
  - cloud-users

users:
  - default
  - name: <username>
    gecos: <real name>
    primary-group: <primary group>
    groups: <additional groups>
```
Write Files

Summary: write arbitrary files
Write out arbitrary content to files, optionally setting permissions. Content can be specified in plain text or binary. Data encoded with either base64 or binary gzip data can be specified and will be decoded before being written.

Note: if multiline data is provided, care should be taken to ensure that it follows yaml formatting standargs. to specify binary data, use the yaml option !!binary

Internal name: cc_write_files
Module frequency: per instance
Supported distros: all
Config keys:

```plaintext
code
write_files:
  - encoding: b64
    content: CiMgVGhpcyBmaWxlIGNvbnRyb2xzIHRoZSBzdGF0ZSBvZiBTRUxpbnV4...
    owner: root:root
    path: /etc/sysconfig/selinux
    permissions: '0644'
  - content: |
    # My new /etc/sysconfig/samba file
    SMDBOPTIONS="-D"
    path: /etc/sysconfig/samba
    permissions: '0644'
  - content: !!binary |
    f0VMRgIBAQAAAAAAAAAAAAIAPgABAAAAwARAAAAAAABAAAAAAAAAJAVAAAAAA
    AEAAHgAdAAAFAAAAQAAAAAAAABAAAAAAAABAAAAAAAABAAAAAAAABAAAAAAAAB
    AAAAAAAAwAAAQAAAAAqAAAAAAAACQAAAAAAAAJAAAAAAAACAAAAAAAAB
    ...
    path: /bin/arch
    permissions: '0555'
```
Module frequency: per always

Supported distros: fedora, rhel

Config keys:

```
yum_repos:
  <repo-name>:
    baseurl: <repo url>
    name: <repo name>
    enabled: <true/false>
# any repository configuration options (see man yum.conf)
```

### Merging User-Data Sections

#### Overview

This was implemented because it has been a common feature request that there be a way to specify how cloud-config yaml “dictionaries” provided as user-data are merged together when there are multiple yamls to merge together (say when performing an #include).

Since previously the merging algorithm was very simple and would only overwrite and not append lists, or strings, and so on it was decided to create a new and improved way to merge dictionaries (and there contained objects) together in a way that is customizable, thus allowing for users who provide cloud-config user-data to determine exactly how there objects will be merged.

For example.

```
#cloud-config (1)
run_cmd:
  - bash1
  - bash2

#cloud-config (2)
run_cmd:
  - bash3
  - bash4
```

The previous way of merging the following 2 objects would result in a final cloud-config object that contains the following.

```
#cloud-config (merged)
run_cmd:
  - bash3
  - bash4
```

Typically this is not what users want, instead they would likely prefer:

```
#cloud-config (merged)
run_cmd:
  - bash1
  - bash2
  - bash3
  - bash4
```

This way makes it easier to combine the various cloud-config objects you have into a more useful list, thus reducing duplication that would have had to occur in the previous method to accomplish the same result.
Customizability

Since the above merging algorithm may not always be the desired merging algorithm (like how the previous merging algorithm was not always the preferred one) the concept of customizing how merging can be done was introduced through a new concept call ‘merge classes’.

A merge class is a class definition which provides functions that can be used to merge a given type with another given type.

An example of one of these merging classes is the following:

```python
class Merger(object):
    def __init__(self, merger, opts):
        self._merger = merger
        self._overwrite = 'overwrite' in opts

        # This merging algorithm will attempt to merge with
        # another dictionary, on encountering any other type of object
        # it will not merge with said object, but will instead return
        # the original value
        
        # On encountering a dictionary, it will create a new dictionary
        # composed of the original and the one to merge with, if 'overwrite'
        # is enabled then keys that exist in the original will be overwritten
        # by keys in the one to merge with (and associated values). Otherwise
        # if not in overwrite mode the 2 conflicting keys themselves will
        # be merged.
    def _on_dict(self, value, merge_with):
        if not isinstance(merge_with, (dict)):
            return value
        merged = dict(value)
        for (k, v) in merge_with.items():
            if k in merged:
                if not self._overwrite:
                    merged[k] = self._merger.merge(merged[k], v)
                else:
                    merged[k] = v
            else:
                merged[k] = v
        return merged
```

As you can see there is a ‘_on_dict’ method here that will be given a source value and a value to merge with. The result will be the merged object. This code itself is called by another merging class which ‘directs’ the merging to happen by analyzing the types of the objects to merge and attempting to find a know object that will merge that type. I will avoid pasting that here, but it can be found in the `mergers/__init__.py` file (see `LookupMerger` and `UnknownMerger`).

So following the typical cloud-init way of allowing source code to be downloaded and used dynamically, it is possible for users to inject there own merging files to handle specific types of merging as they choose (the basic ones included will handle lists, dicts, and strings). Note how each merge can have options associated with it which affect how the merging is performed, for example a dictionary merger can be told to overwrite instead of attempt to merge, or a string merger can be told to append strings instead of discarding other strings to merge with.

How to activate

There are a few ways to activate the merging algorithms, and to customize them for your own usage.

1. The first way involves the usage of MIME messages in cloud-init to specify multipart documents (this is one way in which multiple cloud-config is joined together into a single cloud-config). Two new headers are looked
for, both of which can define the way merging is done (the first header to exist wins). These new headers (in lookup order) are ‘Merge-Type’ and ‘X-Merge-Type’. The value should be a string which will satisfy the new merging format definition (see below for this format).

2. The second way is actually specifying the merge-type in the body of the cloud-config dictionary. There are 2 ways to specify this, either as a string or as a dictionary (see format below). The keys that are looked up for this definition are the following (in order), ‘merge_how’, ‘merge_type’.

**String format**

The string format that is expected is the following.

```
classname1(option1,option2)+classname2(option3,option4)....
```

The class name there will be connected to class names used when looking for the class that can be used to merge and options provided will be given to the class on construction of that class.

For example, the default string that is used when none is provided is the following:

```
list()+dict()+str()
```

**Dictionary format**

In cases where a dictionary can be used to specify the same information as the string format (ie option #2 of above) it can be used, for example.

```
{"merge_how": [{"name": 'list', "settings": ['extend']},
    {"name": 'dict', "settings": []},
    {"name": 'str', "settings": ['append']}]}
```

This would be the equivalent format for default string format but in dictionary form instead of string form.

**Specifying multiple types and its effect**

Now you may be asking yourself, if I specify a merge-type header or dictionary for every cloud-config that I provide, what exactly happens?

The answer is that when merging, a stack of ‘merging classes’ is kept, the first one on that stack is the default merging classes, this set of mergers will be used when the first cloud-config is merged with the initial empty cloud-config dictionary. If the cloud-config that was just merged provided a set of merging classes (via the above formats) then those merging classes will be pushed onto the stack. Now if there is a second cloud-config to be merged then the merging classes from the cloud-config before the first will be used (not the default) and so on. This way a cloud-config can decide how it will merge with a cloud-config dictionary coming after it.

**Other uses**

In addition to being used for merging user-data sections, the default merging algorithm for merging ‘conf.d’ yaml files (which form an initial yaml config for cloud-init) was also changed to use this mechanism so its full benefits (and customization) can also be used there as well. Other places that used the previous merging are also, similarly, now extensible (metadata merging, for example).

Note, however, that merge algorithms are not used across types of configuration. As was the case before merging was implemented, user-data will overwrite conf.d configuration without merging.
Vendor Data

Overview

Vendordata is data provided by the entity that launches an instance (for example, the cloud provider). This data can be used to customize the image to fit into the particular environment it is being run in.

Vendordata follows the same rules as user-data, with the following caveats:

1. Users have ultimate control over vendordata. They can disable its execution or disable handling of specific parts of multipart input.
2. By default it only runs on first boot.
3. Vendordata can be disabled by the user. If the use of vendordata is required for the instance to run, then vendordata should not be used.
4. user supplied cloud-config is merged over cloud-config from vendordata.

Users providing cloud-config data can use the ‘#cloud-config-jsonp’ method to more finely control their modifications to the vendor supplied cloud-config. For example, if both vendor and user have provided ‘runcmd’ then the default merge handler will cause the user’s runcmd to override the one provided by the vendor. To append to ‘runcmd’, the user could better provide multipart input with a cloud-config-jsonp part like:

```
#cloud-config-jsonp
[
  { "op": "add", "path": "/runcmd", "value": ["my", "command", "here"]}
]
```

Further, we strongly advise vendors to not ‘be evil’. By evil, we mean any action that could compromise a system. Since users trust you, please take care to make sure that any vendordata is safe, atomic, idempotent and does not put your users at risk.

Input Formats

cloud-init will download and cache to filesystem any vendor-data that it finds. Vendordata is handled exactly like user-data. That means that the vendor can supply multipart input and have those parts acted on in the same way as user-data.

The only differences are:

- user-scripts are stored in a different location than user-scripts (to avoid namespace collision)
- user can disable part handlers by cloud-config settings. For example, to disable handling of ‘part-handlers’ in vendor-data, the user could provide user-data like this:

```
#cloud-config
vendordata: {excluded: 'text/part-handler'}
```

Examples

There are examples in the examples subdirectory.

Additionally, the ‘tools’ directory contains ‘write_mime_multipart’, which can be used to easily generate mime-multipart files from a list of input files. That data can then be given to an instance.

See ‘write-mime-multipart -help’ for usage.
More information

Useful external references

- The beauty of cloudinit
- Introduction to cloud-init (video)

Hacking on cloud-init

This document describes how to contribute changes to cloud-init. It assumes you have a Launchpad account, and refers to your launchpad user as LP_USER throughout.

Do these things once

- To contribute, you must sign the Canonical contributor license agreement
  If you have already signed it as an individual, your Launchpad user will be listed in the contributor-agreement-canonical group. Unfortunately there is no easy way to check if an organization or company you are doing work for has signed. If you are unsure or have questions, email Scott Moser or ping smoser in #cloud-init channel via freenode.
- Clone the upstream repository on Launchpad:
  ```
  git clone https://git.launchpad.net/cloud-init
  cd cloud-init
  ```
  There is more information on Launchpad as a git hosting site in Launchpad git documentation.
- Create a new remote pointing to your personal Launchpad repository. This is equivalent to ‘fork’ on github.
  ```
  git remote add LP_USER ssh://LP_USER@git.launchpad.net/~LP_USER/cloud-init
  git push LP_USER master
  ```

Do these things for each feature or bug

- Create a new topic branch for your work:
  ```
  git checkout -b my-topic-branch
  ```
- Make and commit your changes (note, you can make multiple commits, fixes, more commits.):
  ```
  git commit
  ```
- Run unit tests and lint/formatting checks with tox:
  ```
  tox
  ```
- Push your changes to your personal Launchpad repository:
  ```
  git push -u LP_USER my-topic-branch
  ```
- Use your browser to create a merge request:
– Open the branch on Launchpad.

* You can see a web view of your repository and navigate to the branch at:
  https://code.launchpad.net/~LP_USER/cloud-init/
* It will typically be at:
  https://code.launchpad.net/~LP_USER/cloud-init/+git/cloud-init/+ref/BRANCHNAME

  for example, here is larsks move-to-git branch: https://code.launchpad.net/~larsks/cloud-init/+git/cloud-init/+ref/feature/move-to-git

– Click ‘Propose for merging’
– Select ‘lp:cloud-init’ as the target repository
– Type ‘master’ as the Target reference path
– Click ‘Propose Merge’
– On the next page, hit ‘Set commit message’ and type a git combined git style commit message like:

```
Activate the frobnicator.

The frobnicator was previously inactive and now runs by default. This may save the world some day. Then, list the bugs you fixed as footers with syntax as shown here.

The commit message should be one summary line of less than 74 characters followed by a blank line, and then one or more paragraphs describing the change and why it was needed.

This is the message that will be used on the commit when it is squashed and merged into trunk.

LP: #1
```

Then, someone in the cloud-init-dev group will review your changes and follow up in the merge request.
Feel free to ping and/or join #cloud-init on freenode irc if you have any questions.

**Test Development**

**Overview**

The purpose of this page is to describe how to write integration tests for cloud-init. As a test writer you need to develop a test configuration and a verification file:

* The test configuration specifies a specific cloud-config to be used by cloud-init and a list of arbitrary commands to capture the output of (e.g my_test.yaml)
* The verification file runs tests on the collected output to determine the result of the test (e.g. my_test.py)

The names must match, however the extensions will of course be different, yaml vs py.
Configuration

The test configuration is a YAML file such as `ntp_server.yaml` below:

```yaml
# NTP config using specific servers (ntp_server.yaml)
#
cloud_config: |
  #cloud-config
  ntp:
    servers:
      - pool.ntp.org
collect_scripts:
  ntp_installed_servers: |
    #!/bin/bash
dpkg -l | grep ntp | wc -l
  ntp_conf_dist_servers: |
    #!/bin/bash
  ls /etc/ntp.conf.dist | wc -l
  ntp_conf_servers: |
    #!/bin/bash
cat /etc/ntp.conf | grep '^server'
```

There are two keys, 1 required and 1 optional, in the YAML file:

1. The required key is `cloud_config`. This should be a string of valid YAML that is exactly what would normally be placed in a cloud-config file, including the cloud-config header. This essentially sets up the scenario under test.

2. The optional key is `collect_scripts`. This key has one or more sub-keys containing strings of arbitrary commands to execute (e.g. `cat /var/log/cloud-config-output.log`). In the example above the output of dpkg is captured, grep for ntp, and the number of lines reported. The name of the sub-key is important. The sub-key is used by the verification script to recall the output of the commands ran.

Default Collect Scripts

By default the following files will be collected for every test. There is no need to specify these items:

- `/var/log/cloud-init.log`
- `/var/log/cloud-init-output.log`
- `/run/cloud-init/.instance-id`
- `/run/cloud-init/result.json`
- `/run/cloud-init/status.json`
- `dpkg-query -W -f='${Version}' cloud-init`

Verification

The verification script is a Python file with unit tests like the one, `ntp_server.py`, below:

```python
"""cloud-init Integration Test Verify Script (ntp_server.yaml)"
""
from tests.cloud_tests.testcases import base
```
Here is a breakdown of the unit test file:

- The import statement allows access to the output files.
- The class can be named anything, but must import the `base.CloudTestCase`.
- There can be 1 to N number of functions with any name, however only tests starting with `test_*` will be executed.
- Output from the commands can be accessed via `self.get_data_file('key')` where key is the sub-key of `collect_scripts` above.

### Layout

Integration tests are located under the `tests/cloud_tests` directory. Test configurations are placed under `configs` and the test verification scripts under `testcases`:

```
cloud-init$ tree -d tests/cloud_tests/
tests/cloud_tests/
  - configs
    | - bugs
    | - examples
    | - main
    | - modules
  - testcases
    - bugs
    - examples
    - main
    - modules
```

The sub-folders of bugs, examples, main, and modules help organize the tests. View the README.md in each to understand in more detail each directory.

### Development Checklist

- **Configuration File**
  - Named `your_test_here.yaml`
- Contains at least a valid cloud-config
- Optionally, commands to capture additional output
- Valid YAML
- Placed in the appropriate sub-folder in the configs directory

**Verification File**
- Named ‘your_test_here.py’
- Valid unit tests validating output collected
- Passes pylint & pep8 checks
- Placed in the appropriate sub-folder in the testcases directory

**Execution**

Executing tests has three options:

- **run** an alias to run both **collect** and **verify**
  - **collect** deploys on the specified platform and os, patches with the requested deb or rpm, and finally collects output of the arbitrary commands.
  - **verify** given a directory of test data, run the Python unit tests on it to generate results.

**Run**

The first example will provide a complete end-to-end run of data collection and verification. There are additional examples below explaining how to run one or the other independently.

```bash
$ git clone https://git.launchpad.net/cloud-init
$ cd cloud-init
$ python3 -m tests.cloud_tests run -v -n <release of choice> \
  --deb <build of cloud-init> \
  -t tests/cloud_tests/configs/<dir>/your_test_here.yaml
```

The above command will do the following:

- **-v** verbose output
- **run** both **collect** output and run tests the output
- **-n trusty** on the Ubuntu Trusty release
- **-n xenial** on the Ubuntu Xenial release
- **--deb cloud-init_0.7.8~patch_all.deb** use this deb as the version of cloud-init to run with

For a more detailed explanation of each option see below.
Collect

If developing tests it may be necessary to see if cloud-config works as expected and the correct files are pulled down. In this case only a collect can be run by running:

```
$ python3 -m tests.cloud_tests collect -n xenial -d /tmp/collection \
   --deb cloud-init_0.7.8~my_patch_all.deb
```

The above command will run the collection tests on xenial with the provided deb and place all results into /tmp/collection.

Verify

When developing tests it is much easier to simply rerun the verify scripts without the more lengthy collect process. This can be done by running:

```
$ python3 -m tests.cloud_tests verify -d /tmp/collection
```

The above command will run the verify scripts on the data discovered in /tmp/collection.

Architecture

The following outlines the process flow during a complete end-to-end LXD-backed test.

1. Configuration
   - The back end and specific OS releases are verified as supported
   - The test or tests that need to be run are determined either by directory or by individual yaml

2. Image Creation
   - Acquire the daily LXD image
   - Install the specified cloud-init package
   - Clean the image so that it does not appear to have been booted
   - A snapshot of the image is created and reused by all tests

3. Configuration
   - For each test, the cloud-config is injected into a copy of the snapshot and booted
   - The framework waits for /var/lib/cloud/instance/boot-finished (up to 120 seconds)
   - All default commands are ran and output collected
   - Any commands the user specified are executed and output collected

4. Verification
   - The default commands are checked for any failures, errors, and warnings to validate basic functionality of cloud-init completed successfully
   - The user generated unit tests are then ran validating against the collected output

5. Results
   - If any failures were detected the test suite returns a failure
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