

# Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster

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Kubernetes and the OpenShift platform, based on Kubernetes, have added a way to manage containerized systems, including database clusters. This management is achieved by controllers, declared in configuration files. These controllers provide automation with the ability to create objects, such as a container or a group of containers called pods, to listen for an specific event and then perform a task.

This automation adds a level of complexity to the container-based architecture and stateful applications, such as a database. A Kubernetes Operator is a special type of controller introduced to simplify complex deployments. The Operator extends the Kubernetes API with custom resources.

## Part I

# Requirements

#### ONE

### SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The following platforms are supported:

- OpenShift 3.11
- OpenShift 4.1
- Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) 1.11
- GKE 1.14
- Minikube 1.12+

**Note:** The Operator is subsequent to specific platform limitations: for example, when running on Minikube it doesn't support multi-node cluster configurations because of its local nature and affinity issues.

### **DESIGN OVERVIEW**

*Percona XtraDB Cluster* integrates *Percona Server for MySQL* running with the XtraDB storage engine, and *Percona XtraBackup* with the *Galera library* to enable synchronous multi-master replication.

The design of the operator is highly bound to the Percona XtraDB Cluster high availability implementation, which in its turn can be briefly described with the following diagram.



Being a regular MySQL Server instance, each node contains the same set of data synchronized accross nodes. The recommended configuration is to have at least 3 nodes. In a basic setup with this amount of nodes, Percona XtraDB Cluster provides high availability, continuing to function if you take any of the nodes down. Additionally load balancing can be achieved with the ProxySQL daemon, which accepts incoming traffic from MySQL clients and forwards it to backend MySQL servers.

**Note:** Using ProxySQL results in more efficient database workload management in comparison with other load balancers which are not SQL-aware, including built-in ones of the cloud providers, or the Kubernetes NGINX Ingress

#### Controller.

To provide high availability operator uses node affinity to run PXC instances on separate worker nodes if possible. If some node fails, the pod with it is automatically re-created on another node.



To provide data storage for stateful applications, Kubernetes uses Persistent Volumes. A *PersistentVolumeClaim* (PVC) is used to implement the automatic storage provisioning to pods. If a failure occurs, the Container Storage Interface (CSI) should be able to re-mount storage on a different node. The PVC StorageClass must support this feature (Kubernetes and OpenShift support this in versions 1.9 and 3.9 respectively).

The Operator functionality extends the Kubernetes API with *PerconaXtraDBCluster* object, and it is implemented as a golang application. Each *PerconaXtraDBCluster* object maps to one separate PXC setup. The Operator listens to all events on the created objects. When a new PerconaXtraDBCluster object is created, or an existing one undergoes some changes or deletion, the operator automatically creates/changes/deletes all needed Kubernetes objects with the

appropriate settings to provide a properly PXC operating.

## Part II

# Installation

THREE

#### **INSTALL PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER ON KUBERNETES**

0. First of all, clone the percona-xtradb-cluster-operator repository:

```
git clone -b release-1.3.0 https://github.com/percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-

→operator
cd percona-xtradb-cluster-operator
```

Note: It is crucial to specify the right branch with -b option while cloning the code on this step. Please be careful.

1. Now Custom Resource Definition for PXC should be created from the deploy/crd.yaml file. Custom Resource Definition extends the standard set of resources which Kubernetes "knows" about with the new items (in our case ones which are the core of the operator).

This step should be done only once; it does not need to be repeated with the next Operator deployments, etc.

```
$ kubectl apply -f deploy/crd.yaml
```

2. The next thing to do is to add the pxc namespace to Kubernetes, not forgetting to set the correspondent context for further steps:

```
$ kubectl create namespace pxc
$ kubectl config set-context $(kubectl config current-context) --namespace=pxc
```

3. Now RBAC (role-based access control) for PXC should be set up from the deploy/rbac.yaml file. Briefly speaking, role-based access is based on specifically defined roles and actions corresponding to them, allowed to be done on specific Kubernetes resources (details about users and roles can be found in Kubernetes documentation).

```
$ kubectl apply -f deploy/rbac.yaml
```

Note: Setting RBAC requires your user to have cluster-admin role privileges. For example, those using Google Kubernetes Engine can grant user needed privileges with the following command: \$ kubectl create clusterrolebinding cluster-admin-binding --clusterrole=cluster-admin --user=\$ (gcloud config get-value core/account)

Finally it's time to start the operator within Kubernetes:

```
$ kubectl apply -f deploy/operator.yaml
```

4. Now that's time to add the PXC Users secrets to Kubernetes. They should be placed in the data section of the deploy/secrets.yaml file as logins and base64-encoded passwords for the user accounts (see Kubernetes documentation for details).

Note: the following command can be used to get base64-encoded password from a plain text string: \$ echo -n 'plain-text-password' | base64

After editing is finished, users secrets should be created (or updated with the new passwords) using the following command:

```
$ kubectl apply -f deploy/secrets.yaml
```

More details about secrets can be found in Users.

5. Install cert-manager if it is not up and running yet then generate and apply certificates as secrets according to TLS document:

Pre-generated certificates are available in the deploy/ssl-secrets.yaml secrets file for test purposes, but we strongly recommend avoiding their usage on any production system.

```
$ kubectl apply -f <secrets file>
```

6. After the operator is started and user secrets are added, Percona XtraDB Cluster can be created at any time with the following command:

```
$ kubectl apply -f deploy/cr.yaml
```

Creation process will take some time. The process is over when both operator and replica set pod have reached their Running status:

\$ kubectl get pods				
NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
cluster1-pxc-0	1/1	Running	0	5m
cluster1-pxc-1	1/1	Running	0	4m
cluster1-pxc-2	1/1	Running	0	2m
cluster1-proxysql-0	1/1	Running	0	5m
percona-xtradb-cluster-operator-dc67778fd-qtspz	1/1	Running	0	6m

7. Check connectivity to newly created cluster

```
$ kubectl run -i --rm --tty percona-client --image=percona:5.7 --restart=Never --_

→bash -il

percona-client:/$ mysql -h cluster1-proxysql -uroot -proot_password
```

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**Note:** It is crucial to specify the right branch with the-*b* option while cloning the code on this step. Please be careful.

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This step should be done only once; it does not need to be repeated with the next Operator deployments, etc.

\$ oc apply -f deploy/crd.yaml

Note: Setting Custom Resource Definition requires your user to have cluster-admin role privileges.

If you want to manage your PXC cluster with a non-privileged user, necessary permissions can be granted by applying the next clusterrole:

If you have a cert-manager installed, then you have to execute two more commands to be able to manage certificates with a non-privileged user:

2. The next thing to do is to create a new pxc project:

\$ oc new-project pxc

 Now RBAC (role-based access control) for PXC should be set up from the deploy/rbac.yaml file. Briefly speaking, role-based access is based on specifically defined roles and actions corresponding to them, allowed to be done on specific Kubernetes resources (details about users and roles can be found in OpenShift documentation).

```
$ oc apply -f deploy/rbac.yaml
```

Finally, it's time to start the operator within OpenShift:

```
$ oc apply -f deploy/operator.yaml
```

4. Now that's time to add the PXC Users secrets to OpenShift. They should be placed in the data section of the deploy/secrets.yaml file as logins and base64-encoded passwords for the user accounts (see Kubernetes documentation for details).

Note: The following command can be used to get base64-encoded password from a plain text string: \$ echo -n 'plain-text-password' | base64

After editing is finished, users secrets should be created (or updated with the new passwords) using the following command:

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Pre-generated certificates are awailable in the deploy/ssl-secrets.yaml secrets file for test purposes, but we strongly recommend avoiding their usage on any production system. .. code:: bash

\$ oc apply -f <secrets file>

6. After the operator is started and user secrets are added, Percona XtraDB Cluster can be created at any time with the following command:

\$ oc apply -f deploy/cr.yaml

Creation process will take some time. The process is over when both operator and replica set pod have reached their Running status:

\$ oc get pods				
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cluster1-pxc-0	1/1	Running	0	5m
cluster1-pxc-1	1/1	Running	0	4m
cluster1-pxc-2	1/1	Running	0	2m
cluster1-proxysql-0	1/1	Running	0	5m
percona-xtradb-cluster-operator-dc67778fd-qtspz	1/1	Running	0	6m

#### 7. Check connectivity to newly created cluster

```
$ oc run -i --rm --tty percona-client --image=percona:5.7 --restart=Never -- bash_
→-il
percona-client:/$ mysql -h cluster1-proxysql -uroot -proot_password
```

#### **INSTALL PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER ON MINIKUBE**

Installing the PXC Operator on minikube is the easiest way to try it locally without a cloud provider. Minikube runs Kubernetes on GNU/Linux, Windows, or macOS system using a system-wide hypervisor, such as VirtualBox, KVM/QEMU, VMware Fusion or Hyper-V. Using it is a popular way to test the Kubernetes application locally prior to deploying it on a cloud.

The following steps are needed to run PXC Operator on Minikube:

0. Install Minikube, using a way recommended for your system. This includes the installation of the following three components: #. kubectl tool, #. a hypervisor, if it is not already installed, #. actual Minikube package

After the installation running minikube start should download needed virtualized images, then initialize and run the cluster. After Minikube is successfully started, you can optionally run the Kubernetes dashboard, which visually represents the state of your cluster. Executing minikube dashboard will start the dashboard and open it in your default web browser.

1. Clone the percona-xtradb-cluster-operator repository:

```
git clone -b release-1.3.0 https://github.com/percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-

→operator
cd percona-xtradb-cluster-operator
```

2. Deploy the operator with the following command:

```
kubectl apply -f deploy/bundle.yaml
```

- 3. Because minikube runs locally, the default deploy/cr.yaml file should be edited to adapt the Operator for the the local installation with limited resources. Change the following keys in pxc and proxysql sections:
  - (a) comment resources.requests.memory and resources.requests.cpu keys (this will fit the Operator in minikube default limitations)
  - (b) set affinity.antiAffinityTopologyKey key to "none" (the Operator will be unable to spread the cluster on several nodes)

Also, switch allowUnsafeConfigurations key to true (this option turns off the Operator's control over the cluster configuration, making it possible to deploy Percona XtraDB Cluster as a one-node cluster).

4. Now apply the deploy/cr.yaml file with the following command:

kubectl apply -f deploy/cr.yaml

5. During previous steps, the Operator has generated several secrets, including the password for the root user, which you will definitely need to access the cluster. Use kubectl get secrets to see the list of Secrets objects (by default Secrets object you are interested in has my-cluster-secrets name). Then kubectl get secret my-cluster-secrets -o yaml will return the YAML file with generated secrets, including the root password which should look as follows:

```
...
data:
...
root: cm9vdF9wYXNzd29yZA==
```

Here the actual password is base64-encoded, and echo 'cm9vdF9wYXNzd29yZA==' | base64 --decode will bring it back to a human-readable form.

6. Check connectivity to a newly created cluster.

First of all, run percona-client and connect its console output to your terminal (running it may require some time to deploy the correspondent Pod):

```
kubectl run -i --rm --tty percona-client --image=percona:5.7 --restart=Never --__

→bash -il
```

Now run mysql tool in the percona-client command shell using the password obtained from the secret:

```
mysql -h cluster1-proxysql -uroot -proot_password
```

### SCALE PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER ON KUBERNETES AND OPENSHIFT

One of the great advantages brought by Kubernetes and the OpenShift platform is the ease of an application scaling. Scaling a Deployment up or down ensures new Pods are created and set to available Kubernetes nodes.

Size of the cluster is controlled by a size key in the Custom Resource options configuration, as specified in the Operator Options section. That's why scaling the cluster needs nothing more but changing this option and applying the updated configuration file. This may be done in a specifically saved config, or on the fly, using the following command, which saves the current configuration, updates it and applies the changed version:

\$ kubectl get pxc/my-cluster -o yaml | sed -e 's/size: 3/size: 5/' | kubectl apply -f\_ →-

In this example we have changed the size of the Percona XtraDB Cluster from 3, which is a minimum recommended value, to 5 nodes.

**Note:** Using ''kubectl scale StatefulSet\_name'' command to rescale Percona XtraDB Cluster is not recommended, as it makes ''size'' configuration option out of sync, and the next config change may result in reverting the previous number of nodes.

#### **Increase the Persistent Volume Claim size**

Kubernetes manages storage with a PersistentVolume (PV), a segment of storage supplied by the administrator, and a PersistentVolumeClaim (PVC), a request for storage from a user. In Kubernetes v1.11 the feature was added to allow a user to increase the size of an existing PVC object. The user cannot shrink the size of an existing PVC object. Certain volume types support, be default, expanding PVCs (details about PVCs and the supported volume types can be found in Kubernetes documentation)

The following are the steps to increase the size:

0. Extract and backup the yaml file for the cluster

kubectl get pxc cluster1 -o yaml --export > CR\_backup.yaml

1. Delete the cluster

kubectl delete -f CR\_backup.yaml

2. For each node, edit the yaml to resize the PVC object.

kubectl edit pvc datadir-cluster1-pxc-0

In the yaml, edit the spec.resources.requests.storage value.

```
spec:
    accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
    resources:
    requests:
        storage: 6Gi
```

Perform the same operation on the other nodes.

```
kubectl edit pvc datadir-cluster1-pxc-1
kubectl edit pvc datadir-cluster1-pxc-2
```

3. In the CR configuration file, use vim or another text editor to edit the PVC size.

vim CR\_backup.yaml

4. Apply the updated configuration to the cluster.

kubectl apply -f CR\_backup.yaml

SEVEN

#### UPDATE PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER OPERATOR

Starting from the version 1.1.0 the Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster allows upgrades to newer versions. This upgrade can be done either in semi-automatic or in manual mode.

Note: The manual update mode is the recomended way for a production cluster.

**Note:** Only the incremental update to a nearest minor version is supported (for example, update from 1.2.0 to 1.3.0). To update to a newer version, which differs from the current version by more than one, make several incremental updates sequentially.

#### Semi-automatic update

- 1. Edit the deploy/cr.yaml file, setting updateStrategy key to RollingUpdate.
- 2. Now you should apply a patch to your deployment, supplying necessary image names with a newer version tag. This is done with the kubectl patch deployment command. For example, updating to the 1.3.0 version should look as follows:

```
kubectl patch deployment percona-xtradb-cluster-operator \
  -p'{"spec":{"template":{"spec":{"containers":[{"name":"percona-xtradb-cluster-

operator", "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0"}]}}}

kubectl patch pxc cluster1 --type=merge --patch '{
  "metadata": {"annotations":{ "kubectl.kubernetes.io/last-applied-configuration
"spec": {"pxc": { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-pxc" }
\hookrightarrow
      "proxysql": { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-
→proxysql" },
      "backup":
                 { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-
→backup" },
                  { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-pmm".
      "pmm":
\leftrightarrow
```

3. The deployment rollout will be automatically triggered by the applied patch. You can track the rollout process in real time with the kubectl rollout status command with the name of your cluster:

kubectl rollout status sts cluster1-pxc

#### Manual update

- 1. Edit the deploy/cr.yaml file, setting updateStrategy key to OnDelete.
- 2. Now you should apply a patch to your deployment, supplying necessary image names with a newer version tag. This is done with the kubectl patch deployment command. For example, updating to the 1.3.0 version should look as follows:

```
kubectl patch deployment percona-xtradb-cluster-operator \
   -p'{"spec":{"template":{"spec":{"containers":[{"name":"percona-xtradb-cluster-
→operator", "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0"}]}}}}'
kubectl patch pxc cluster1 --type=merge --patch '{
   "metadata": {"annotations":{ "kubectl.kubernetes.io/last-applied-configuration
"spec": {"pxc": { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-pxc" }
\hookrightarrow,
       "proxysql": { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-

→proxysql" },

       "backup":
                  { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-
\rightarrow backup" },
       "pmm":
                   { "image": "percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-pmm"...
\leftrightarrow}
   } } '
```

- 3. The Pod with the newer Percona XtraDB Cluster image will start after you delete it. Delete targeted Pods manually one by one to make them restart in desired order:
  - (a) Delete the Pod using its name with the command like the following one:

kubectl delete pod cluster1-pxc-2

(b) Wait until Pod becomes ready:

```
kubectl get pod cluster1-pxc-2
```

The output should be like this:

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
cluster1-pxc-2	1/1	Running	0	3m33s

4. The update process is successfully finished when all Pods have been restarted.

#### EIGHT

### MONITORING

The Percona Monitoring and Management (PMM) provides an excellent solution to monitor Percona XtraDB Cluster.

## Installing the PMM Server

This first section installs the PMM Server to monitor Percona XtraDB Cluster on Kubernetes or OpenShift. The following steps are optional if you already have installed the PMM Server. The PMM Server available on your network does not require another installation in Kubernetes.

- 1. The recommended installation approach is based on using helm the package manager for Kubernetes, which will substantially simplify further steps. So first thing to do is to install helm following its official installation instructions.
- 2. When the helm is installed, add Percona chart repository and update information of available charts as follows:

```
$ helm repo add percona https://percona-charts.storage.googleapis.com
$ helm repo update
```

3. Now helm can be used to install PMM Server:

It is important to specify correct options in the installation command:

- platform should be either kubernetes or openshift depending on which platform are you using.
- name should correspond to the serverHost key in the pmm section of the deploy/cr.yaml file with a "-service" suffix, so default --name monitoring part of the shown above command corresponds to a monitoring-service value of the serverHost key.
- credentials.username should correspond to the serverUser key in the pmm section of the deploy/cr.yaml file.
- credentials.password should correspond to a value of the pmmserver secret key specified in deploy/secrets.yaml secrets file. Note that password specified in this example is the default development mode password not intended to be used on production systems.

## Installing the PMM Client

The following steps are needed for the PMM client installation:

1. The PMM client installation is initiated by updating the pmm section in the deploy/cr.yaml file.

- set pmm.enabled=true
- make sure that serverUser (the PMM Server user name, pmm by default) is the same as one specified for the credentials.username parameter on the previous step.
- make sure that serverHost (the PMM service name, monitoring-service by default) is the same as one specified for the name parameter on the previous step, but with additional -service suffix.
- make sure that pmmserver secret key in the deploy/secrets.yaml secrets file is the same as one specified for the credentials.password parameter on the previous step (if not, fix it and apply with the kubectl apply -f deploy/secrets.yaml command).

When done, apply the edited deploy/cr.yaml file:

```
$ kubectl apply -f deploy/cr.yaml
```

2. To make sure everything gone right, check that correspondent Pods are not continuously restarting (which would occur in case of any errors on the previous two steps):

```
$ kubectl get pods
$ kubectl logs cluster1-pxc-node-0 -c pmm-client
```

3. Find the external IP address (EXTERNAL-IP field in the output of kubectl get service/ monitoring-service -o wide). This IP address can be used to access PMM via *https* in a web browser, with the login/password authentication, already configured and able to show Percona XtraDB Cluster metrics.

NINE

#### **USE DOCKER IMAGES FROM A CUSTOM REGISTRY**

Using images from a private Docker registry may be useful in different situations: it may be related to storing images inside of a company, for privacy and security reasons, etc. In such cases, Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator allows to use a custom registry, and the following instruction illustrates how this can be done by the example of the Operator deployed in the OpenShift environment.

1. First of all login to the OpenShift and create project.

```
$ oc login
Authentication required for https://192.168.1.100:8443 (openshift)
Username: admin
Password:
Login successful.
$ oc new-project pxc
Now using project "pxc" on server "https://192.168.1.100:8443".
```

- 2. There are two things you will need to configure your custom registry access:
  - the token for your user
  - your registry IP address.

The token can be find out with the following command:

```
$ oc whoami -t
ADO8CqCDappWR4hxjfDqwijEHei31yXAvWg61Jg210s
```

And the following one tells you the registry IP address:

```
$ kubectl get services/docker-registry -n default
NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE
docker-registry ClusterIP 172.30.162.173 <none> 5000/TCP 1d
```

3. Now you can use the obtained token and address to login to the registry:

```
$ docker login -u admin -p ADO8CqCDappWR4hxjfDqwijEHei31yXAvWg61Jg210s 172.30.162.
→173:5000
Login Succeeded
```

4. Pull the needed image by its SHA digest:

```
$ docker pull docker.io/perconalab/percona-xtradb-cluster-

operator@sha256:841c07eef30605080bfe80e549f9332ab6b9755fcbc42aacbf86e4ac9ef0e444

Trying to pull repository docker.io/perconalab/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator ...

sha256:841c07eef30605080bfe80e549f9332ab6b9755fcbc42aacbf86e4ac9ef0e444: Pulling_

ofrom docker.io/perconalab/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator
```

5. The following way is used to push an image to the custom registry (into the OpenShift pxc project):

```
$ docker tag \
    docker.io/perconalab/percona-xtradb-cluster-
    operator@sha256:841c07eef30605080bfe80e549f9332ab6b9755fcbc42aacbf86e4ac9ef0e444_
    \
    172.30.162.173:5000/pxc/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.2.0
$ docker push 172.30.162.173:5000/pxc/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.2.0
```

6. Check the image in the OpenShift registry with the following command:

```
$ oc get is
NAME DOCKER REPO 

→ TAGS UPDATED
percona-xtradb-cluster-operator docker-registry.default.svc:5000/pxc/percona-

→xtradb-cluster-operator 1.3.0 2 hours ago
```

7. When the custom registry image is Ok, put a Docker Repo + Tag string (it should look like docker-registry.default.svc:5000/pxc/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1. 3.0) into the image: option in deploy/operator.yaml configuration file.

Please note it is possible to specify imagePullSecrets option for all images, if the registry requires authentication.

- 8. Repeat steps 3-5 for other images, and update corresponding options in the deploy/cr.yaml file.
- 9. Now follow the standard Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator installation instruction.

### Percona certified images

Following table presents Percona's certified images to be used with the Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator:

Image	Digest	
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	841c07eef30605080bfe80e549f9332ab6b9755fcbc42aacbf	86e4ac9ef0e444
operator:1.2.0		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	d38482fcbe0d0f169e41eefd889404e967e8abc65a6890cbal	4dd1f3ea2229df
operator:1.2.0-pxc		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	1385b77d3498cebc201426821fda620e0884e8fdaba675624	0c9821948864af3
operator:1.2.0-proxysql		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	bd45486507321de67ff8ad2fa40c4f55fc20bd15db6369b61c	c73a5db11bb57cd
operator:1.2.0-backup		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	c0903f41539767fcfe49da815e1c3bfefe4e48a36912b64fb5	350b09b51cab32
operator:1.2.0-broker		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	28bbb6693689a15c407c85053755334cd25d864e632ef7fec	1890bc85726cfb68
operator:1.2.0-pmm		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	fbfc2fc5c3afc80f18dddc5a1c3439fab89950081cf86c3439a	226d4c97198eb
operator:1.1.0		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	a66a9212760e823af3c666a78e4b480cc7cc0d8be5cfa29c8	41319c0036706e
operator:1.1.0-pxc		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	ac952afb3721eafe86431155da7c3f7f90c4e800491c400a42	22b650fd393357
operator:1.1.0-proxysql		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	4852da039dd2a1d3ae9243ec634c14fd9f9e5af18a1fc6c7c9	d25d4287dd6941
operator:1.1.0-backup		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	b9e97c66a69f448898f8d43b92dd0314aaf53997b70824056	dd3d0aec62488eb
operator:1.0.0		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	6797c8492cff8092b39cdce75d7d85b9c2d4d08c4f6e0ba7b	05c21562a54f168
operator:1.0.0-pxc		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	b9360f1a8dc1e57e5ae7442373df02869ddc4da69ef919019	0edde70b465235e
operator:1.0.0-proxysql		
percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-	652be455c8faf2d610de15e3568ff57fe8630fa353b6d97ff1c	6b91d44741f8b
operator:1.0.0-backup		

### **DEPLOY PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER WITH SERVICE BROKER**

Percona Service Broker provides the Open Service Broker object to facilitate the operator deployment within highlevel visual tools. Following steps are needed to use it while installing the Percona XtraDB Cluster on the OpenShift platform:

1. The Percona Service Broker is to be deployed based on the percona-broker.yaml file. To use it you should first enable the Service Catalog, which can be done with the following command:

When Service Catalog is enabled, download and install the Percona Service Broker in a typical OpenShift way:

**Note:** This step should be done only once; the step does not need to be repeated with any other Operator deployments. It will automatically create and setup the needed service and projects catalog with all necessary objects.

2. Now login to your OpenShift Console Web UI and switch to the percona-service-broker project. You can check its Pod running on a correspondent page:

CopenShift Container Pla	tform			Ø	₩ 0	kube:admir	ו 🛨
Home 🗸	You are logged in as a	temporary administr	ative user. Update the <u>clus</u>	ter OAuth configu	<u>ration</u> to allow	others to log in.	
Projects	Project: percona-service-b	roker 🗸				0	Add 🗸
Status							
Search	Pods						
Events							
	Create Pod			(	Filter Pods by	name	
Catalog 🗸 🗸							
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Provisioned Services	Select All Filters					2 of 2	Items
Installed Operators							in ▼ P Add × 2 Items E Items E Items
OperatorHub	NAME †	NAMESPACE	POD LABELS	NODE		STATUS	
Operator Management	P percona-service-broker-	NS percona-	apr=percona-servic	ce-b 🚺 ip	-10-0-145-	C Running	:
Broker Management	7bbt9599d8-dvqhw	service- broker	pod-templa =7bb	of9 6 w	3.eu- est-2.comp te.internal		
Workloads 🗸 🗸	Container Platform       Out are logged in as a temporary administrative user. Update the cluster CAUth configuration to allow others to top in         Project:       percona-service-broker •       • Add •         Pods       Filter Pods by name         • Running • Pending • Terminating • CrashLoopBackOff • Completed • Failed • Unknown       Status         Select All Filters       2 of 2 ltems         NAME †       NAMESPACE       POD LABELS       NOE       STATUS         • percona-service-broker*       • Spervice-broker       • Spervice-broker       • Spervice-broker         • protect       Pond LABELS       NOE       STATUS         • percona-service-broker*       • Spervice-broker       • Spervice-broker       • Spervice-broker         • port-templa, =7bbf9       • Diplo-0-0-155       • Running       • Running       • Running         •        • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •						
Pods		Image: Comparison of the section of the					
Deployments							

Now switch to the Developer Catalog and select Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator:

Home 🗸	Developer Catalog					
Projects	Add shared apps, services, or sou	Add shared apps, services, or source-to-image builders to your project from the Developer Catalog. Cluster admins can install				
Status	additional apps which will show u	p here automatically.				
Search						
Events	All Items	All Items				
	Languages	12 items				
Catalog 🗸 🗸	Middleware					
	Other					
Developer Catalog						
Provisioned Services	Filter by keyword	.NE I	/			
Installed Operators		.NET Core	Apache HTTP Server (httpd)			
OperatorHub	Service Class (2)	Build and run NET Core 2.2	Build and serve static content			
Operator Management	Source-to-Image (10)	applications on RHEL 7. For	via Apache HTTP Server			
Broker Management	☐ Installed Operators (0)	more information about using	(httpd) 2.4 on RHEL 7. For			
		this builder image, including OpenShift considerations.	more information about using this builder image, includin			
Workloads 🗸 🗸						
Pods		NGINX	nøde			
Deployments						
Deployment Configs		NGINX HTTP server and a	Node.js			
Stateful Sets			Build and run Node.js 10			
Secrets		Build and serve static content via Nginx HTTP server and a	applications on RHEL 7. For more information about using			
Config Maps		reverse proxy (nginx) on RHEL	this builder image, including			
Cron Jobs		7. For more information ab	OpenShift considerations,			
Jobs						
Daemon Sets		<b>®</b>	<b>(</b> )			
Replica Sets		PERCONA Server no Monget08	PERCONA XtraB8 Cluster			
Replication Controllers		Percona Kubernetes	Percona XtraDB Cluster			
Horizontal Pod Autoscalers		Operator for Percona Server	Operator			
		provided by percona	provided by percond			
Networking		database	Gatadase			
Storage						

Choose Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator item. This will lead you to the Operator page with the *Create Service Instance* button.

3. Clicking the *Create Service Instance* button guides you to the next page:

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Namespace *	🛞 Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator
PR percona-service-broker ~	Provided by percona
Service Instance Name *	PXC
percona-xtradb-cluster	View Documentation C
Plans	database
• standard percona xtradb cluster	Percona is Cloud Native
cluster_name *	
replicas	
size	
topology_key	

The two necessary fields are Service Instance Name and Cluster Name, which should be unique for your project.

4. Clicking the *Create* button gets you to the *Overview* page, which reflects the process of the cluster creation process:

Project: perc	ona-sorvice	broker				Add
Project: pert	Louid-Service					O Add Y
	aa utradh	aluatar2				
s percor	na-xtrado	-cluster2				Actions ~
Overview	YAML	Events	Service Bindings	5		
Create Se	ervice Bind	ing				
Service bind	lings create a s	secret containir	ng the necessary inform	nation for a workload t	o use SI percona-xtradb-cluste	r2. Once
the binding	is ready, add ti	ne secret to yo	ur workload's environm	ient variables of volum	ies.	
Create Ser	vice Binding					
Service Ins	stance Ove	rview				
percona-xtradb	o-cluster2				adb-cluster	
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TYPE	STAT	US	UPDATED	REASON	MESSAGE	
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			minute ago		asynchronously (creating servi instance)	ice

You can also track Pods to see when they are deployed and track any errors.
# Part III

# Configuration

#### ELEVEN

#### USERS

The Operator requires Kubernetes Secrets to be deployed before the PXC Cluster is started. The name of the required secrets can be set in deploy/cr.yaml under the spec.secrets section.

### **Unprivileged users**

There are no unprivileged (general purpose) user accounts created by default. If you need general purpose users, please run commands below:

Sync users on the ProxySQL node:

Verify that the user was created successfully. If successful, the following command will let you successfully login to MySQL shell via ProxySQL:

```
$ kubectl run -it --rm percona-client --image=percona:5.7 --restart=Never -- bash -il
percona-client:/$ mysql -h cluster1-proxysql -uuser1 -ppassword1
mysql> SELECT * FROM database1.table1 LIMIT 1;
```

You may also try executing any simple SQL statement to ensure the permissions have been successfully granted.

## **System Users**

Default Secret name: my-cluster-secrets

Secret name field: spec.secretsName

The Operator requires system-level PXC users to automate the PXC deployment.

Warning: These users should not be used to run an application.

User Pur-	Username	Password	Description
pose		Secret	-
		Key	
Admin	root	root	Database ad-
			ministrative
			user, should
			only be used
			for maintenance
			tasks
ProxySQLA	d <b>prix</b> yadmin	proxyadmin	ProxySQL ad-
			ministrative
			user, can be
			used to add
			general-purpose
			ProxySQL users
Backup	xtrabackup	xtrabackup	User to run back-
			ups
Cluster	clustercheck	clustercheck	User for liveness
Check			checks and readi-
			ness checks
PMM	monitor	monitor	User for PMM
Client			agent
User			
PMM	should	pmmserver	Password used
Server	be set		to access PMM
Password	through		Server
	the op-		
	erator		
	options		

# **Development Mode**

To make development and testing easier, deploy/secrets.yaml secrets file contains default passwords for PXC system users.

These development mode credentials from deploy/secrets.yaml are:

Secret Key	Secret Value
root	root_password
xtrabackup	backup_password
monitor	monitor
clustercheck	clustercheckpassword
proxyuser	s3cret
proxyadmin	admin_password
pmmserver	supa ^ pazz

Warning: Do not use the default PXC user passwords in production!

### TWELVE

## **CUSTOM RESOURCE OPTIONS**

The operator is configured via the spec section of the deploy/cr.yaml file. This file contains the following spec sections to configure three main subsystems of the cluster:

Table 12.1:	Custom	Resource	options
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Key	Value Type	Description
pxc	subdoc	Percona XtraDB Cluster general section
proxysql	subdoc	ProxySQL section
pmm	subdoc	Percona Moonitoring and Management section
backup	subdoc	Percona XtraDB Cluster backups section

## **PXC Section**

The pxc section in the deploy/cr.yaml file contains general configuration options for the Percona XtraDB Cluster.

Key	pxc.size
Value	int
Example	3
Description	The size of the Percona XtraDB cluster must be >= 3 for High Availability
Key	pxc.allowUnsafeConfigurations
Value	boolean
Example	false
Description	Prevents users from configuring a cluster with unsafe parameters such as starting the cluster with
	less than 3 nodes or starting the cluster without TLS/SSL certificates
Key	pxc.image
Value	string
Example	percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-pxc
Description	The Docker image of the Percona cluster used
Key	pxc.readinessDelaySec
Value	int
Example	15
Description	Adds a delay before a run check to verify the application is ready to process traffic
Key	pxc.livenessDelaySec
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Value	int
Example	300
Description	Adds a delay before the run check ensures the application is healthy and capable of processing requests
	1
Key	pxc.forceUnsafeBootstrap
Value	boolean
Example	false
Description	The setting can be reset in case of a sudden crash when all nodes may be considered unsafe to bootstrap from. The setting lets a node be selected and set to safe_to_bootstrap and provides data recovery
Key	nyc configuration
Voluo	string
	suing
Example	[mysqld] wsrep_debug=ON wsrep-provider_options=gcache.size=1G;gcache.recover=yes
Description	The my.cnf file options to be passed to Percona XtraDB cluster nodes
Key	pxc.imagePullSecrets.name
Value	string
Example	private-registry-credentials
Description	The Kubernetes ImagePullSecret
	1
Key	pxc.priorityClassName
Value	string
Example	high-priority
Description	The Kubernetes Pod priority class
Kor	wya cahadulanNama
Nelvo	
Value Exemute	
Example	delault-scheduler
Description	The Kubernetes Scheduler
Kev	pxc.annotations
Value	label
Example	iam.amazonaws.com/role: role-arn
Description	The Kubernetes annotations
Key	pxc.labels
Value	label
Example	rack: rack-22
Description	Labels are key-value pairs attached to objects
Kov	nya resources requests memory
NUY Value	pre.icsources.iequesis.illelilory
value Evorente	
	The Webernetes means to fine DVC cost in the
Description	The Kubernetes memory requests for a PAC container
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Key	pxc.resources.requests.cpu
Value	string
Example	600m
Description	Kubernetes CPU requests for a PXC container
Key	pxc.resources.limits.memory
Value	string
Example	1G
Description	Kubernetes memory limits for a PXC container
Key	pxc.nodeSelector
Value	label
Example	disktype: ssd
Description	Kubernetes nodeSelector
Key	pxc.affinity.topologyKey
Value	string
Example	kubernetes.io/hostname
Description	The Operator topology key node anti-affinity constraint
Key	pxc.affinity.advanced
Value	subdoc
Example	
Description	In cases where the Pods require complex tuning the <i>advanced</i> option turns off the topologyKey
	effect. This setting allows the standard Kubernetes affinity constraints of any complexity to be
	used
Key	pxc.affinity.tolerations
Value	subdoc
Example	node.alpha.kubernetes.io/unreachable
Description	Kubernetes Pod tolerations
17	
Key	pxc.podDisruptionBudget.maxUnavailable
Value	int
Example	
Description	The Kubernetes podDisruptionBudget specifies the number of Pods from the set unavailable after
	the eviction
Kow	ave and Dispution Dudget min Available
Ney	
Value	
Description	U The Kubernetes podDisruptionBudget Pods that must be available after an aviation
Description	The Rubernetes pour supriori Budget Pous that must be available after all eviction
Kov	nya yalumaSnaa amntuDir
Value	string
Fyampla	
Description	The Kubernetes emptyDir volume The directory created on a node and accessible to the DVC Dod
Description	containers
	containers
Kev	pxc volumeSpec hostPath path
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Value	string
Example	/data
Description	Kubernetes hostPath The volume that mounts a directory from the host node's filesystem into
	your Pod. The path property is required
Key	pxc.volumeSpec.hostPath.type
Value	string
Example	Directory
Description	The Kubernetes hostPath. An optional property for the hostPath
Key	pxc.volumeSpec.persistentVolumeClaim.storageClassName
Value	string
Example	standard
Description	Set the Kubernetes storage class to use with the PXC Persistent VolumeClaim
<b>V</b>	
Key	pxc.volumeSpec.persistent volumeClaim.accessiviodes
Value	array
Example	[ReadWriteOnce]
Description	The Kubernetes Persistent volumeClaim access modes for the Percona XtraDB cluster
Kov	nye volumeSpec resources requests storage
Ney	string
Fyampla	sumg 601
Description	The Kubernetes Persistent Volume Claim size for the Persona YtraDB cluster
Description	The Rubernetes reisistent volumeerann size for the reicona Ruadd eruster
Kev	nxc gracePeriod
Value	int
Example	600
Description	The Kubernetes grace period when terminating a Pod
2 comption	
Key	pxc.containerSecurityContext
Value	subdoc
Example	privileged: true
Description	A custom Kubernetes Security Context for a Container to be used instead of the default one
-	
Key	pxc.podSecurityContext
Value	subdoc
Example	fsGroup: 1001
-	supplementalGroups: [1001, 1002, 1003]
Description	A custom Kubernetes Security Context for a Pod to be used instead of the default one

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# **ProxySQL Section**

The proxysql section in the deploy/cr.yaml file contains configuration options for the ProxySQL daemon.

Key	proxysql.enabled	
Value	boolean	
Example	true	
Description	Enables or disables load balancing with ProxySQL Services	
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Key	proxysql.size	
Value	int	
Example	1	
Description	The number of the ProxySQL daemons to provide load balancing must be = 1 in current release	
Key	proxysql.image	
Value	string	
Example	percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-proxysql	
Description	ProxySQL Docker image to use	
Key	proxysql.imagePullSecrets.name	
Value	string	
Example	private-registry-credentials	
Description	The Kubernetes imagePullSecrets for the ProxySQL image	
_		
Key	proxysql.annotations	
Value	label	
Example	iam.amazonaws.com/role: role-arn	
Description	The Kubernetes annotations metadata	
•	1	
Key	proxysql.labels	
Value	label	
Example	rack: rack-22	
Description	Labels are key-value pairs attached to objects	
Key	proxysql.servicetype	
Value	string	
Example	ClusterIP	
Description	Specifies the type of Kubernetes Service to be used	
Key	proxysql.resources.requests.memory	
Value	string	
Example	1G	
Description	The Kubernetes memory requests for a ProxySQL container	
Kev	proxysql.resources.requests.cpu	
Value	string	
Example	600m	
Description	Kubernetes CPU requests for a ProxySQL container	
*		
Key	proxysql.resources.limits.memory	
Value	string	
Example	1G	
Description	Kubernetes memory limits for a ProxySQL container	
The second secon		
Kev	proxysql.resources.limits.cpu	
Value	string	
Example	700m	
Description	Kubernetes CPU limits for a ProxySOL container	
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Key	proxysql.priorityClassName	
Value	string	
Example	high-priority	
Description	The Kubernetes Pod Priority class for ProxySQL	
Key	proxysql.schedulerName	
Value	string	
Example	default-scheduler	
Description	The Kubernetes Scheduler	
Key	proxysql.nodeSelector	
Value	label	
Example	disktype: ssd	
Description	Kubernetes nodeSelector	
Key	proxysql.affinity.topologyKey	
Value	string	
Example	kubernetes.io/hostname	
Description	The Operator topology key node anti-affinity constraint	
Key	proxysql.affinity.advanced	
Value	subdoc	
Example		
Description	If available it makes a topologyKey node affinity constraint to be ignored	
-		
Key	proxysql.affinity.tolerations	
Value	subdoc	
Example	node.alpha.kubernetes.io/unreachable	
Description	Kubernetes Pod tolerations	
Key	proxysql.volumeSpec.emptyDir	
Value	string	
Example	{}	
Description	The Kubernetes emptyDir volume The directory created on a node and accessible to the PXC Pod	
-	containers	
Key	proxysql.volumeSpec.hostPath.path	
Value	string	
Example	/data	
Description	Kubernetes hostPath The volume that mounts a directory from the host node's filesystem into	
-	your Pod. The path property is required	
Key	proxysql.volumeSpec.hostPath.type	
Value	string	
Example	Directory	
Description	The Kubernetes hostPath. An optional property for the hostPath	
A * *		
Key	proxysql.volumeSpec.persistentVolumeClaim.storageClassName	
Value	string	

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Example	standard	
Description	Set the Kubernetes storage class to use with the PXC PersistentVolumeClaim	
Key	proxysql.volumeSpec.persistentVolumeClaim.accessModes	
Value	array	
Example	[ReadWriteOnce]	
Description	The Kubernetes PersistentVolumeClaim access modes for the Percona XtraDB cluster	
Key	proxysql.volumeSpec.resources.requests.storage	
Value	string	
Example	6Gi	
Description	The Kubernetes PersistentVolumeClaim size for the Percona XtraDB cluster	
Key	proxysql.podDisruptionBudget.maxUnavailable	
Value	int	
Example	1	
Description	n The Kubernetes podDisruptionBudget specifies the number of Pods from the set unavailable after	
	the eviction	
Key	proxysql.podDisruptionBudget.minAvailable	
Value	int	
Example	0	
Description	m The Kubernetes podDisruptionBudget Pods that must be available after an eviction	
Key	proxysql.gracePeriod	
<b>T7</b>	int	
Value	Int	
Value Example	30	

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## **PMM Section**

The pmm section in the deploy/cr.yaml file contains configuration options for Percona Monitoring and Management.

Key	pmm.enabled	
Value	boolean	
Example	false	
Description	Enables or disables monitoring Percona XtraDB cluster with PMM	
Key	pmm.image	
Value	string	
Example	perconalab/pmm-client:1.17.1	
Description	PMM client Docker image to use	
Key	pmm.serverHost	
Value	string	
Example	monitoring-service	
Description	Address of the PMM Server to collect data from the cluster	
Key	pmm.serverUser	
Value	string	
Example	pmm	
Description	The PMM Serve_User. The PMM Server password should be configured using Secrets	

# **Backup Section**

The backup section in the deploy/cr.yaml file contains the following configuration options for the regular Percona XtraDB Cluster backups.

Key	backup.image	
Value	string	
Example	percona/percona-xtradb-cluster-operator:1.3.0-backup	
Description	The Percona XtraDB cluster Docker image to use for the backup	
Key	backup.imagePullSecrets.name	
Value	string	
Example	private-registry-credentials	
Description	The Kubernetes imagePullSecrets for the specified image	
Key	backup.storages.type	
Value	string	
Example	s3	
Description	The cloud storage type used for backups. Only s3 and filesystem types are supported	
Key	backup.storages.s3.credentialsSecret	
Value	string	
Example	my-cluster-name-backup-s3	
Description	The Kubernetes secret for backups. It should contain AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID and	
	AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY keys.	
Key	backup.storages.s3.bucket	
Value	string	
Example		
Description	The Amazon S3 bucket name for backups	
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Кеу	backup.storages.s3.region	
Value	string	
Example	us-east-1	
Description	The AWS region to use. Please note this option is mandatory for Amazon and all S3-compatible	
	storages	
Key	backup.storages.s3.endpointUrl	
Value	string	
Example		
Description	The endpoint URL of the S3-compatible storage to be used (not needed for the original Amazon	
	S3 cloud)	
Key	backup.storages.persistentVolumeClaim.type	
Value	string	
Example	filesystem	
Description	The persistent volume claim storage type	
<b>V</b>		
Key	backup.storages.persistentVolumeClaim.storageClassName	
Value	string	
Example	standard	
Description	Set the Kubernetes Storage Class to use with the PXC backups Persistent VolumeClaims for the	
	filesystem storage type	
<b>V</b>		
Key	backup.storages.persistent volumeClaim.accessiviodes	
Value		
Example	[ReadWriteOne]	
Description	The Kubernetes Persistent volume access modes	
Key	hackup storages persistent Volume Claim storage	
Value	string	
Example	6Gi	
Description	Storage size for the PersistentVolume	
Description	Storuge size for the relation volume	
Kev	backup.schedule.name	
Value	string	
Example	sat-night-backup	
Description	The backup name	
<b>I</b>		
Key	backup.schedule.schedule	
Value	string	
Example	0 0 * * 6	
Description	Scheduled time to make a backup specified in the crontab format	
-		
Key	backup.schedule.keep	
Value	int	
Example	3	
Description	Number of stored backups	
	_1	
Key	backup.schedule.storageName	
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Value	string	
Example	s3-us-west	
Description	The name of the storage for the backups configured in the storages or fs-pvc subsection	
Key	backup.annotations	
Value	label	
Example	iam.amazonaws.com/role: role-arn	
Description	The Kubernetes annotations	
Key	backup.labels	
Value	label	
Example	rack: rack-22	
Description	Labels are key-value pairs attached to objects	
Key	backup.resources.requests.memory	
Value	string	
Example	1G	
Description	The Kubernetes memory requests for a PXC container	
Key	backup.resources.requests.cpu	
Value	string	
Example	600m	
Description	Kubernetes CPU requests for a PXC container	
Key	backup.resources.limits.memory	
Value	string	
Example	1G	
Description	Kubernetes memory limits for a PXC container	
<b>V</b>	1.1	
Key	backup.nodeSelector	
Value		
Example	Kubernetes nodeSelector	
Description	Kubernetes nodeSelector	
Koy	backup affinity topology Kay	
Ney	string	
Fyampla	kubernetes ie/hestname	
Description	The Operator topology key node anti-affinity constraint	
Description	The Operator topology key node and annuty constraint	
Kev	backup affinity advanced	
Value	subdoc	
Example	kubernetes io/hostname	
Description	In cases where the Pods require complex tuning the <i>advanced</i> option turns off the topology Key	
Description	effect. This setting allows the standard Kubernetes affinity constraints of any complexity to be	
	used	
Kev	backup.affinity.tolerations	
Value	subdoc	
Example	backupWorker	
Description	Kubernetes Pod tolerations	
- comption	Continued on next name	
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Key	pxc.priorityClassName	
Value	string	
Example	high-priority	
Description	The Kubernetes Pod priority class	
Key	backup.schedulerName	
Value	string	
Example	default-scheduler	
Description	The Kubernetes Scheduler	
Key	backup.containerSecurityContext	
Value	subdoc	
Example	privileged: true	
Description	A custom Kubernetes Security Context for a Container to be used instead of the default one	
Key	backup.podSecurityContext	
Value	subdoc	
Example	fsGroup: 1001	
	supplementalGroups: [1001, 1002, 1003]	
Description	A custom Kubernetes Security Context for a Pod to be used instead of the default one	

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#### THIRTEEN

#### **PROVIDING BACKUPS**

Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator allows doing cluster backup in two ways. *Scheduled backups* are configured in the deploy/cr.yaml file to be executed automatically in proper time. *On-demand backups* can be done manually at any moment.

Backup images are usually stored on Amazon S3 or S3-compatible storage (storing backups on private storage is also possible, but they are described separately).

#### Making scheduled backups

Since backups are stored separately on the Amazon S3, a secret with AWS\_ACCESS\_KEY\_ID and AWS\_SECRET\_ACCESS\_KEY should be present on the Kubernetes cluster. The secrets file with these keys should be created: for example deploy/backup-s3.yaml file with the following contents:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
    name: my-cluster-name-backup-s3
type: Opaque
data:
    AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID: UkVQTEFDRS1XSVRILUFXUy1BQ0NFU1MtS0VZ
    AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY: UkVQTEFDRS1XSVRILUFXUy1TRUNSRVQtS0VZ
```

The name value is the Kubernetes secret name which will be used further, and AWS\_ACCESS\_KEY\_ID and AWS\_SECRET\_ACCESS\_KEY are the keys to access S3 storage (and obviously they should contain proper values to make this access possible). To have effect secrets file should be applied with the appropriate command to create the secret object, e.g. kubectl apply -f deploy/backup-s3.yaml (for Kubernetes).

Backups schedule is defined in the backup section of the deploy/cr.yaml file. This section contains following subsections: \*storages subsection contains data needed to access the S3-compatible cloud to store backups. \*schedule subsection allows to actually schedule backups (the schedule is specified in crontab format).

Here is an example which uses Amazon S3 storage for backups:

```
...
backup:
    enabled: true
    version: 0.3.0
    ...
    storages:
        s3-us-west:
        type: s3
        s3:
```

```
bucket: S3-BACKUP-BUCKET-NAME-HERE
region: us-west-2
credentialsSecret: my-cluster-name-backup-s3
...
schedule:
- name: "sat-night-backup"
schedule: "0 0 * * 6"
keep: 3
storageName: s3-us-west
...
```

if you use some S3-compatible storage instead of the original Amazon S3, the endpointURL is needed in the *s3* subsection which points to the actual cloud used for backups and is specific to the cloud provider. For example, using Google Cloud involves the following endpointUrl.

The options within these three subsections are further explained in the Operator Options.

The only option which should be mentioned separately is credentialsSecret which is a Kubernetes secret for backups. Value of this key should be the same as the name used to create the secret object (my-cluster-name-backup-s3 in the last example).

The schedule is specified in crontab format as explained in the Operator Options.

## Making on-demand backup

To make on-demand backup, user should use YAML file with correct names for the backup and the PXC Cluster, and correct PVC settings. The example of such file is deploy/backup/backup/backup.yaml.

When the backup config file is ready, actual backup command is executed:

kubectl apply -f deploy/backup/backup.yaml

**Note:** Storing backup settings in a separate file can be replaced by passing its content to the 'kubectl apply' command as follows:

```
cat <<EOF | kubectl apply -f-
apiVersion: pxc.percona.com/v1
kind: PerconaXtraDBClusterBackup
metadata:
   name: backup1
spec:
    pxcCluster: cluster1
   storageName: fs-pvc
EOF
```

## Restore the cluster from a previously saved backup

Following steps are needed to restore a previously saved backup:

- 1. First of all make sure that the cluster is running.
- 2. Now find out correct names for the backup and the cluster. Available backups can be listed with the following command:

kubectl get pxc-backup

And the following command will list available clusters:

kubectl get pxc

3. When both correct names are known, the actual restoration process can be started as follows:

kubectl apply -f deploy/backup/restore.yaml

**Note:** Storing backup settings in a separate file can be replaced by passing its content to the 'kubectl apply' command as follows:

```
cat <<EOF | kubectl apply -f-
apiVersion: "pxc.percona.com/v1"
kind: "PerconaXtraDBClusterRestore"
metadata:
   name: "restore1"
spec:
   pxcCluster: "cluster1"
   backupName: "backup1"
EOF
```

#### Delete the unneeded backup

Deleting a previously saved backup requires not more than the backup name. This name can be taken from the list of available backups returned by the following command:

kubectl get pxc-backup

When the name is known, backup can be deleted as follows:

```
kubectl delete pxc-backup/<backup-name>
```

#### Copy backup to a local machine

Make a local copy of a previously saved backup requires not more than the backup name. This name can be taken from the list of available backups returned by the following command:

kubectl get pxc-backup

When the name is known, backup can be downloaded to the local machine as follows:

./deploy/backup/copy-backup.sh <backup-name> path/to/dir

For example, this downloaded backup can be restored to the local installation of Percona Server:

```
service mysqld stop
rm -rf /var/lib/mysql/*
cat xtrabackup.stream | xbstream -x -C /var/lib/mysql
xtrabackup --prepare --target-dir=/var/lib/mysql
chown -R mysql:mysql /var/lib/mysql
service mysqld start
```

FOURTEEN

# LOCAL STORAGE SUPPORT FOR THE PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER OPERATOR

Among the wide rage of volume types, supported by Kubernetes, there are two which allow Pod containers to access part of the local filesystem on the node. Two such options are *emptyDir* and *hostPath* volumes.

## emptyDir

The name of this option is self-explanatory. When Pod having an emptyDir volume is assigned to a Node, a directory with the specified name is created on this node and exists until this Pod is removed from the node. When the Pod have been deleted, the directory is deleted too with all its content. All containers in the Pod which have mounted this volume will gain read and write access to the correspondent directory.

The emptyDir options in the deploy/cr.yaml file can be used to turn the emptyDir volume on by setting the directory name.

# hostPath

A hostPath volume mounts some existing file or directory from the node's filesystem into the Pod.

The volumeSpec.hostPath subsection in the deploy/cr.yaml file may include path and type keys to set the node's filesystem object path and to specify whether it is a file, a directory, or something else (e.g. a socket):

```
volumeSpec:
   hostPath:
    path: /data
    type: Directory
```

Please note, that hostPath directory is not created automatically! Is should be created manually and should have following correct attributives: 1. access permissions 2. ownership 3. SELinux security context

hostPath is useful when you are able to perform manual actions during the first run and have strong need in improved disk performance. Also, please consider using tolerations to avoid cluster migration to different hardware in case of a reboot or a hardware failure.

More details can be found in the official hostPath Kubernetes documentation.

FIFTEEN

## BINDING PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER COMPONENTS TO SPECIFIC KUBERNETES/OPENSHIFT NODES

The operator does good job automatically assigning new Pods to nodes with sufficient to achieve balanced distribution across the cluster. Still there are situations when it worth to ensure that pods will land on specific nodes: for example, to get speed advantages of the SSD equipped machine, or to reduce costs choosing nodes in a same availability zone.

Both pxc and proxysql sections of the deploy/cr.yaml file contain keys which can be used to do this, depending on what is the best for a particular situation.

### **Node selector**

nodeSelector contains one or more key-value pairs. If the node is not labeled with each key-value pair from the Pod's nodeSelector, the Pod will not be able to land on it.

The following example binds the Pod to any node having a self-explanatory disktype: ssd label:

nodeSelector: disktype: ssd

## Affinity and anti-affinity

Affinity makes Pod eligible (or not eligible - so called "anti-affinity") to be scheduled on the node which already has Pods with specific labels. Particularly this approach is good to to reduce costs making sure several Pods with intensive data exchange will occupy the same availability zone or even the same node - or, on the contrary, to make them land on different nodes or even different availability zones for the high availability and balancing purposes.

Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator provides two approaches for doing this:

- · simple way to set anti-affinity for Pods, built-in into the Operator,
- more advanced approach based on using standard Kubernetes constraints.

#### Simple approach - use topologyKey of the Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator

Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator provides a topologyKey option, which may have one of the following values:

- kubernetes.io/hostname Pods will avoid residing within the same host,
- failure-domain.beta.kubernetes.io/zone Pods will avoid residing within the same zone,
- failure-domain.beta.kubernetes.io/region Pods will avoid residing within the same region,

• none - no constraints are applied.

The following example forces Percona XtraDB Cluster Pods to avoid occupying the same node:

```
affinity:
   topologyKey: "kubernetes.io/hostname"
```

#### Advanced approach - use standard Kubernetes constraints

Previous way can be used with no special knowledge of the Kubernetes way of assigning Pods to specific nodes. Still in some cases more complex tuning may be needed. In this case advanced option placed in the deploy/cr.yaml file turns off the effect of the topologyKey and allows to use standard Kubernetes affinity constraints of any complexity:

```
affinity:
   advanced:
    podAffinity:
      requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:
       - labelSelector:
           matchExpressions:
           - key: security
             operator: In
             values:
             - S1
         topologyKey: failure-domain.beta.kubernetes.io/zone
     podAntiAffinity:
       preferredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:
        weight: 100
         podAffinityTerm:
           labelSelector:
             matchExpressions:
             - key: security
               operator: In
               values:
               - S2
           topologyKey: kubernetes.io/hostname
     nodeAffinity:
       requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:
         nodeSelectorTerms:
         - matchExpressions:
           - key: kubernetes.io/e2e-az-name
             operator: In
             values:
             - e2e-az1
             - e2e-az2
       preferredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:
       - weight: 1
         preference:
           matchExpressions:
           - key: another-node-label-key
             operator: In
             values:

    another-node-label-value
```

See explanation of the advanced affinity options in Kubernetes documentation.

# **Tolerations**

Tolerations allow Pods having them to be able to land onto nodes with matching *taints*. Toleration is expressed as a key with and operator, which is either exists or equal (the latter variant also requires a value the key is equal to). Moreover, toleration should have a specified effect, which may be a self-explanatory NoSchedule, less strict PreferNoSchedule, or NoExecute. The last variant means that if a *taint* with NoExecute is assigned to node, then any Pod not tolerating this *taint* will be removed from the node, immediately or after the tolerationSeconds interval, like in the following example:

```
tolerations:
- key: "node.alpha.kubernetes.io/unreachable"
   operator: "Exists"
   effect: "NoExecute"
   tolerationSeconds: 6000
```

The Kubernetes Taints and Toleratins contains more examples on this topic.

# **Priority Classes**

Pods may belong to some *priority classes*. This allows scheduler to distinguish more and less important Pods to resolve the situation when some higher priority Pod cannot be scheduled without evicting a lower priority one. This can be done adding one or more PriorityClasses in your Kubernetes cluster, and specifying the PriorityClassName in the deploy/cr.yaml file:

priorityClassName: high-priority

See the Kubernetes Pods Priority and Preemption documentation to find out how to define and use priority classes in your cluster.

# **Pod Disruption Budgets**

Creating the *Pod Disruption Budget* is the Kubernetes style to limits the number of Pods of an application that can go down simultaneously due to such *voluntary disruptions* as cluster administrator's actions during the update of deployments or nodes, etc. By such a way Distribution Budgets allow large applications to retain their high availability while maintenance and other administrative activities.

We recommend to apply Pod Disruption Budgets manually to avoid situation when Kubernetes stopped all your database Pods. See the official Kubernetes documentation for details.

#### SIXTEEN

## CHANGING MYSQL OPTIONS

You may require a configuration change for your application. MySQL allows the option to configure the database with a configuration file. You can pass the MySQL options from the my.cnf configuration file to the cluster in one of the following ways:

- Edit the CR.yaml file
- Use a ConfigMap

## Edit the CR.yaml

You can add options from the my.cnf by editing the configuration section of the deploy/cr.yaml.

See the Custom Resource options, PXC section for more details

## Use a ConfigMap

You can use a configmap and the cluster restart to reset configuration options. A configmap allows Kubernetes to pass or update configuration data inside a containerized application.

Use the kubectl command to create the configmap from external resources, for more information see Configure a Pod to use a ConfigMap.

For example, let's suppose that your application requires more connections. To increase your max\_connections setting in MySQL, you define a my.cnf configuration file with the following setting:

```
[mysqld]
...
max_connections=250
```

You can create a configmap from the my.cnf file with the kubectl create configmap command.

You should use the combination of the cluster name with the -pxc suffix as the naming convention for the configmap. To find the cluster name, you can use the following command:

kubectl get pxc

The syntax for kubectl create configmap command is:

kubectl create configmap <cluster-name>-pxc <resource-type=resource-name>

The following example defines cluster1-pxc as the configmap name and the my-cnf file as the data source:

kubectl create configmap cluster1-pxc --from-file=my.cnf

To view the created configmap, use the following command:

```
kubectl describe configmaps cluster1-pxc
```

#### Make changed options visible to the Percona XtraDB Cluster

Do not forget to restart Percona XtraDB Cluster to ensure the cluster has updated the configuration (see details on how to connect in the Install Percona XtraDB Cluster on Kubernetes page).

### Auto-tuning MySQL options

Few configuration options for MySQL can be calculated and set by the Operator automatically based on the available Pod resources (memory and CPU) **if these options are not specified by user** (either in CR.yaml or in ConfigMap).

Options which can be set automatically are the following ones:

- innodb\_buffer\_pool\_size
- max\_connections

If PXC Pod limits are defined, then limits values are used to calculate these options. If PXC Pod limits are not defined, Operator looks for PXC Pod requests as the basis for calculations. if neither PXC Pod limits nor PXC Pod requests are defined, auto-tuning is not done.

#### SEVENTEEN

## **CONFIGURING PROXYSQL**

You can use ProxySQL admin interface to configure its settings.

Configuring ProxySQL in this way means connecting to it using the MySQL protocol, and two things are needed to do it:

- the ProxySQL Pod name
- the ProxySQL admin password

You can find out ProxySQL Pod name with the kubectl get pods command, which will have the following output:

\$ kubectl get pods				
NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
cluster1-pxc-node-0	1/1	Running	0	5m
cluster1-pxc-node-1	1/1	Running	0	4m
cluster1-pxc-node-2	1/1	Running	0	2m
cluster1-pxc-proxysql-0	1/1	Running	0	5m
percona-xtradb-cluster-operator-dc67778fd-qtspz	1/1	Running	0	6m

The next command will print you the needed admin password:

When both Pod name and admin password are known, connect to the ProxySQL as follows, substituting cluster1-pxc-proxysql-0 with the actual Pod name and admin\_password with the actual password:

kubectl exec -it cluster1-pxc-proxysql-0 -- mysql -h127.0.0.1 -P6032 -uproxyadmin -→padmin\_password

#### EIGHTEEN

## TRANSPORT LAYER SECURITY (TLS)

The Percona Kubernetes Operator for PXC uses Transport Layer Security (TLS) cryptographic protocol for the following types of communication:

- Internal communication between PXC instances in the cluster
- External communication between the client application and ProxySQL

The internal certificate is also used as an authorization method.

TLS security can be configured in two ways: Percona XtraDB Cluster Operator can use a *cert-manager* for automatic certificates generation, but also supports manual certificates generation. The following subsections cover these two ways to configure TLS security with the Operator, as well as explains how to temporarily disable it if needed.

- Install and use the cert-manager
  - About the cert-manager
  - Installation of the cert-manager
- Generate certificates manually
- Run PXC without TLS

#### Install and use the cert-manager

#### About the *cert-manager*

A *cert-manager* is a Kubernetes certificate management controller which widely used to automate the management and issuance of TLS certificates. It is community-driven, and open source.

When you have already installed *cert-manager* and deploy the operator, the operator requests a certificate from the *cert-manager*. The *cert-manager* acts as a self-signed issuer and generates certificates. The Percona Operator self-signed issuer is local to the operator namespace. This self-signed issuer is created because PXC requires all certificates are issued by the same CA.

The creation of the self-signed issuer allows you to deploy and use the Percona Operator without creating a clusterissuer separately.

#### Installation of the cert-manager

The steps to install the *cert-manager* are the following:

- · Create a namespace
- Disable resource validations on the cert-manager namespace
- Install the cert-manager.

The following commands perform all the needed actions:

After the installation, you can verify the *cert-manager* by running the following command:

kubectl get pods -n cert-manager

The result should display the cert-manager and webhook active and running.

## Generate certificates manually

To generate certificates manually, follow these steps:

- 1. Provision a Certificate Authority (CA) to generate TLS certificates
- 2. Generate a CA key and certificate file with the server details
- 3. Create the server TLS certificates using the CA keys, certs, and server details

The set of commands generate certificates with the following attributes:

- Server-pem Certificate
- Server-key.pem the private key
- ca.pem Certificate Authority

You should generate certificates twice: one set is for external communications, and another set is for internal ones. A secret created for the external use must be added to cr.yaml/spec/secretsName. A certificate generated for internal communications must be added to the cr.yaml/spec/sslInternalSecretName.

```
cat <<EOF | cfssl gencert -initca - | cfssljson -bare ca
{
 "CN": "Root CA",
 "key": {
   "algo": "rsa",
    "size": 2048
  }
}
EOF
cat <<EOF | cfssl gencert -ca=ca.pem -ca-key.pem - | cfssljson -bare server
{
 "hosts": [
   "${CLUSTER_NAME}-proxysql",
   "*.${CLUSTER_NAME}-proxysql-unready",
   "*.${CLUSTER_NAME}-pxc"
 ],
  "CN": "${CLUSTER_NAME}-pxc",
  "key": {
```

```
"algo": "rsa",
    "size": 2048
}
EOF
kubectl create secret generic my-cluster-ssl --from-file=tls.crt=server.pem --
from-file=tls.key=server-key.pem --from-file=ca.crt=ca.pem --
type=kubernetes.io/tls
```

## **Run PXC without TLS**

Omitting TLS is also possible, but we recommend that you run your cluster with the TLS protocol enabled.

TLS protocol can be disabled (e.g. for demonstration purposes) by editing the cr.yaml/spec/pxc/ allowUnstafeConfigurations setting to true.

# Part IV

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CHAPTER

NINETEEN

## PERCONA KUBERNETES OPERATOR FOR PERCONA XTRADB CLUSTER 1.3.0 RELEASE NOTES

### Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster 1.3.0

Percona announces the *Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster* 1.3.0 release on January 6, 2020. This release is now the current GA release in the 1.3 series. Install the Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster by following the instructions.

The Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster automates the lifecycle and provides a consistent Percona XtraDB Cluster instance. The Operator can be used to create a Percona XtraDB Cluster, or scale an existing Cluster and contains the necessary Kubernetes settings.

The Operator simplifies the deployment and management of the Percona XtraDB Cluster in Kubernetes-based environments. It extends the Kubernetes API with a new custom resource for deploying, configuring and managing the application through the whole life cycle.

The Operator source code is available in our Github repository. All of Percona's software is open-source and free.

#### New features and improvements:

- CLOUD-412: Auto-Tuning of the MySQL Parameters based on Pod memory resources was implemented in the case of Percona XtraDB Cluster Pod limits (or at least Pod requests) specified in the cr.yaml file.
- CLOUD-411: Now the user can adjust securityContext, replacing the automatically generated securityContext with the customized one.
- CLOUD-394: The Percona XtraDB Cluster, ProxySQL, and backup images size decrease by 40-60% was achieved by removing unnecessary dependencies and modules to reduce the cluster deployment time.
- CLOUD-390: Helm chart for Percona Monitoring and Management (PMM) 2.0 has been provided.
- CLOUD-383: Affinity constraints and tolerations were added to the backup Pod
- CLOUD-430: Image URL in the CronJob Pod template is automatically updated when the Operator detects changed backup image URL

#### Fixed bugs:

- CLOUD-462: Resource requests/limits were set not for all containers in a ProxySQL Pod
- CLOUD-437: Percona Monitoring and Management Client was taking resources definition from the Percona XtraDB Cluster despite having much lower need in resources, particularly lower memory footprint.
- CLOUD-434: Restoring Percona XtraDB Cluster was failing on the OpenShift platform with customized security settings
- CLOUD-399: The iputils package was added to the backup docker image to provide backup jobs with the ping command for a better network connection handling

- CLOUD-393: The Operator generated various StatefulSets in the first reconciliation cycle and in all subsequent reconciliation cycles, causing Kubernetes to trigger an unnecessary ProxySQL restart once during the cluster creation.
- CLOUD-376: A long-running SST caused the liveness probe check to fail it's grace period timeout, resulting in an unrecoverable failure
- CLOUD-243: Using *MYSQL\_ROOT\_PASSWORD* with special characters in a ProxySQL docker image was breaking the entrypoint initialization process

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### Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster 1.2.0

Percona announces the *Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster* 1.2.0 release on September 20, 2019. This release is now the current GA release in the 1.2 series. Install the Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster by following the instructions.

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#### New features and improvements:

- A Service Broker was implemented for the Operator, allowing a user to deploy Percona XtraDB Cluster on the OpenShift Platform, configuring it with a standard GUI, following the Open Service Broker API.
- Now the Operator supports Percona Monitoring and Management 2, which means being able to detect and register to PMM Server of both 1.x and 2.0 versions.
- A NodeSelector constraint is now supported for the backups, which allows using backup storage accessible to a limited set of nodes only (contributed by Chen Min).
- The resource constraint values were refined for all containers to eliminate the possibility of an out of memory error.
- Now it is possible to set the schedulerName option in the operator parameters. This allows using storage which depends on a custom scheduler, or a cloud provider which optimizes scheduling to run workloads in a cost-effective way (contributed by Smaine Kahlouch).
- A bug was fixed, which made cluster status oscillate between "initializing" and "ready" after an update.
- A 90 second startup delay which took place on freshly deployed Percona XtraDB Cluster was eliminated.

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## Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster 1.1.0

Percona announces the general availability of *Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster* 1.1.0 on July 15, 2019. This release is now the current GA release in the 1.1 series. Install the Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster by following the instructions.

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#### New features and improvements:

- Now the Percona Kubernetes Operator allows upgrading Percona XtraDB Cluster to newer versions, either in semi-automatic or in manual mode.
- Also, two modes are implemented for updating the Percona XtraDB Cluster my.cnf configuration file: in *automatic configuration update* mode Percona XtraDB Cluster Pods are immediately re-created to populate changed options from the Operator YAML file, while in *manual mode* changes are held until Percona XtraDB Cluster Pods are re-created manually.
- A separate service account is now used by the Operator's containers which need special privileges, and all other Pods run on default service account with limited permissions.
- User secrets are now generated automatically if don't exist: this feature especially helps reduce work in repeated development environment testing and reduces the chance of accidentally pushing predefined development passwords to production environments.
- The Operator is now able to generate TLS certificates itself which removes the need in manual certificate generation.
- The list of officially supported platforms now includes Minikube, which provides an easy way to test the Operator locally on your own machine before deploying it on a cloud.
- Also, Google Kubernetes Engine 1.14 and OpenShift Platform 4.1 are now supported.

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## Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster 1.0.0

Percona announces the general availability of *Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster* 1.0.0 on May 29, 2019. This release is now the current GA release in the 1.0 series. Install the Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster by following the instructions. Please see the GA release announcement. All of Percona's software is open-source and free.

The Percona Kubernetes Operator for Percona XtraDB Cluster automates the lifecycle and provides a consistent Percona XtraDB Cluster instance. The Operator can be used to create a Percona XtraDB Cluster, or scale an existing Cluster and contains the necessary Kubernetes settings. The Percona Kubernetes Operators are based on best practices for configuration and setup of the Percona XtraDB Cluster. The Operator provides a consistent way to package, deploy, manage, and perform a backup and a restore for a Kubernetes application. Operators deliver automation advantages in cloud-native applications.

#### The advantages are the following:

- Deploy a Percona XtraDB Cluster environment with no single point of failure and environment can span multiple availability zones (AZs).
- Deployment takes about six minutes with the default configuration.
- Modify the Percona XtraDB Cluster size parameter to add or remove Percona XtraDB Cluster members
- Integrate with Percona Monitoring and Management (PMM) to seamlessly monitor your Percona XtraDB Cluster
- Automate backups or perform on-demand backups as needed with support for performing an automatic restore
- Supports using Cloud storage with S3-compatible APIs for backups
- Automate the recovery from failure of a single Percona XtraDB Cluster node
- TLS is enabled by default for replication and client traffic using Cert-Manager
- Access private registries to enhance security
- Supports advanced Kubernetes features such as pod disruption budgets, node selector, constraints, tolerations, priority classes, and affinity/anti-affinity
- You can use either PersistentVolumeClaims or local storage with hostPath to store your database
- Customize your MySQL configuration using ConfigMap.

### Installation

Installation is performed by following the documentation installation instructions for Kubernetes and OpenShift.

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