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SAP Data Intelligence 3 on SUSE's Kubernetes Stack

SUSE Linux Enterprise Server for SAP applications 15 SP4
Rancher Kubernetes Engine 2
Harvester
SAP Data Intelligence 3

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SAP Data Intelligence 3 is the tool set to govern big amounts of data, and it runs fully containerized. This document describes the installation and configuration of SAP Data Intelligence 3 deployed on SUSE's Kubernetes stack, including Harvester, Rancher, RKE2 and Longhorn.

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1 Introduction

This guide describes the on-premises installation of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 using Harvester and Rancher Kubernetes Engine (RKE) 2. In a nutshell, the installation of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 consists of the following steps:

- Installing Harvester
- Installing Rancher Prime
- Installing RKE 2 Kubernetes cluster on the dedicated nodes
- Deploying SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 on RKE 2 Kubernetes cluster
- Performing post-installation steps for SAP Data Intelligence 3.3
- Testing the installation of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3

To have a fully supported setup, there are two Kubernetes clusters required. One runs Rancher Prime Management server and the other runs the actual workload, which for the purpose of this guide is SAP Data Intelligence.

2 Requirements

2.1 Hardware requirements

This chapter describes the hardware requirements for installing SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 on RKE 2 on top of SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4. Only the AMD64/Intel 64 architecture is applicable for our use case.

2.1.1 Hardware Sizing

Correct hardware sizing is very important for setting up SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 on RKE 2.

2.1.1.1 Development systems

- Minimal hardware requirements for a generic SAP Data Intelligence 3 deployment:
  - At least 7 nodes are needed for the Kubernetes cluster.
  - Minimum sizing of the nodes needs to be as shown below:

Server Role	Count	RAM	CPU	Disk space
Management Workstation	1	16 GiB	4	>100 GiB
Master Node	3	16 GiB	4	>120 GiB
Worker Node	4	32 GiB	8	>120 GiB

2.1.1.2 Production systems

- Minimal hardware requirements for an SAP Data Intelligence 3 deployment for production use:
  - At least seven nodes are needed for the Kubernetes cluster.
  - Minimum sizing of the nodes needs to be as shown below:

Server Role	Count	RAM	CPU	Disk space
Management Workstation	1	16 GiB	4	>100 GiB
Master Node	3	16 GiB	4	>120 GiB
Worker Node	4	64 GiB	16	>120 GiB

2.2 Software requirements

The following list contains the software components needed to install SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 on RKE:

- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4
- Rancher Kubernetes Engine 2
- SAP Software Lifecycle Bridge
- SAP Data Intelligence 3.3
- Secure private registry for container images, for example SUSE Private Registry (https://documentation.suse.com/cloudnative/suse-private-registry/html/private-registry/)
- Access to a storage solution providing dynamically physical volumes
- If it is planned to use Vora's streaming tables checkpoint store, an S3 bucket like object store is needed
- If it is planned to enable backup of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 during installation access to an S3-compatible object store is needed

2.3 Installation on top of Harvester

When using Harvester to provision the virtual machines for an SAP Data Intelligence installation, the hardware requirements for Harvester need to be added to the requirements of SAP Data Intelligence described at *Section 2.1.1, "Hardware Sizing"*.

2.3.1 Harvester hardware requirements

A full list of requirements for Harvester can be found at https://docs.harvesterhci.io/v1.0/install/requirements

2.3.2 Development systems

The recommended setup for a Harvester cluster to be used for development has the following requirements:

Server Role	Count	RAM	CPU	Disk space
Harvester Node	3	32 GiB	8	>140 GiB

Adding the hardware requirements of SAP Data Intelligence as described in chapter *Section 2.1.1.1, "Development systems"*, the following hardware is required to run an SAP Data Intelligence cluster on top of Harvester for development:

Server Role	Count	RAM	CPU	Disk space
Harvester Node	3	288 GiB	72	>1360 GiB

2.3.3 Production systems

The recommended setup for a Harvester cluster to be used in production has the following requirements:

Server Role	Count	RAM	CPU	"Disk space"	Disk speed
Harvester Node	3	64 GiB	16	>500 GiB	>5000 IOPs

Adding the hardware requirements of SAP Data Intelligence as described in chapter *Section 2.1.1.2, "Production systems"*, the following hardware is required to run an SAP Data Intelligence cluster on top of Harvester in production:

Server Role	Count	RAM	CPU	Disk space
Harvester Node	3	512 GiB	128	>2440 GiB

3 Preparations

- Get a SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4 subscription.
- Download the installer for SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4.
- Check the storage requirements.
- Create a or get access to a private container registry.
- Get an SAP S-user to access software and documentation by SAP.
- Read the relevant SAP documentation:
  - Release Note for SAP DI 3 (https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2871970)
  - Release Note for SAP SLC Bridge (https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2589449)
  - Installation Guide at help.sap.com (https://help.sap.com/viewer/a8d90a56d61a49718ebcb5f65014bbe7/3.2.latest/en-US)

Important

Make sure that the Harvester version fits the Rancher Prime version. A support matrix can be found here: https://docs.harvesterhci.io/v1.0/rancher/rancher-integration#rancher—harvester-support-matrix

4 Installing SUSE Rancher Harvester

4.1 Introduction

Harvester is the open source Hyper Converged Infrastructure (HCI) solution running on Kubernetes, Longhorn and Kubevirt. Harvester provides the ability to provision, manage and run virtual machines.

4.2 Prerequisites

Depending on the purpose of the Harvester installation (development, testing or productive use), one or more (virtual) machines are needed. At the time of writing, the system architecture is x86_64 only. For the Harvester deployment, the following information should be handy:

- IP addresses for the hosts running Harvester
- IP address to be used as management address
- Gateway address
- IP address of name server
- Access to a time server
- Access to the Internet (for air-gapped installations see: https://docs.harvesterhci.io/v1.1/airgap)

For more information, see the product documentation for Harvester: https://docs.harvesterhci.io/v1.1/

4.3 Preparing the installation

Before the installation of Harvester can be started, the following steps should be performed:

- Download installation media as needed https://github.com/harvester/harvester/releases
- Prepare hardware to run the Harvester installation on, for example, mount the ISO file.
- Network setup (IP addresses, VLAN)

4.4 Installing Harvester

The installation of Harvester is straight forward:

- Boot the machines dedicated to the Harvester cluster from the installation media.
- After booting the machine, a guided setup leads you through the installation.

FIGURE 1: CHOOSE INSTALLATION MODE

- Provide the following information:
  - Device where the installation is targeted to

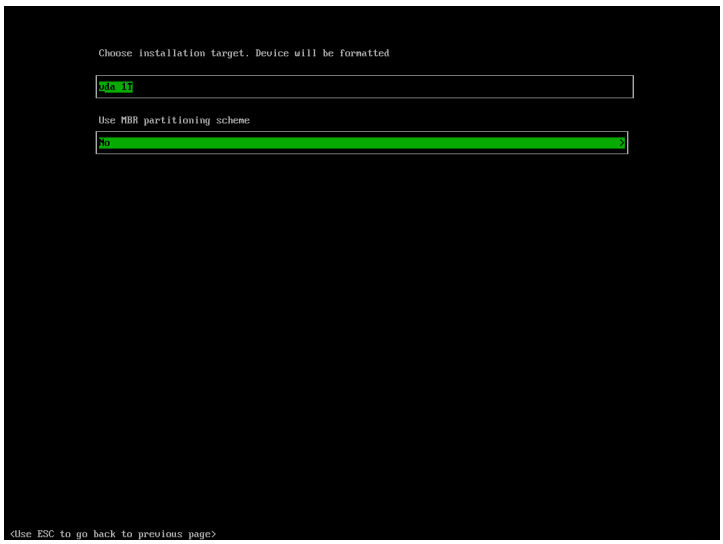

FIGURE 2: INSTALLATION TARGET

- Host name
- IP address
- Network interface to be used
- Gateway

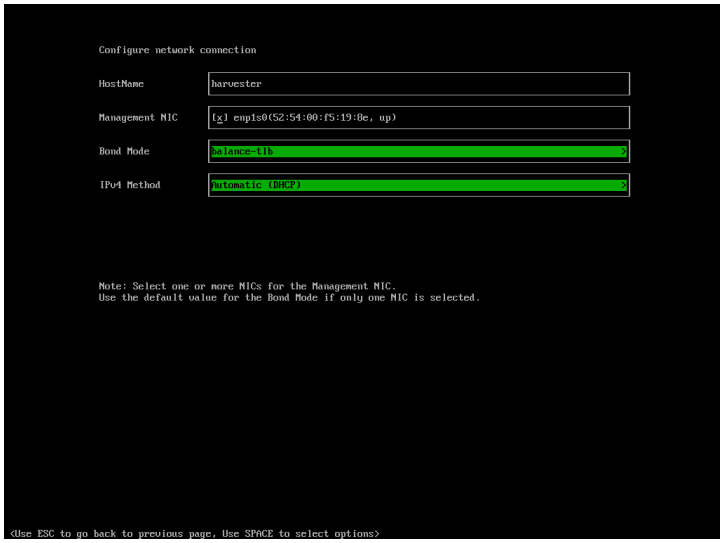

FIGURE 3: NETWORK CONFIGURATION

- DNS servers

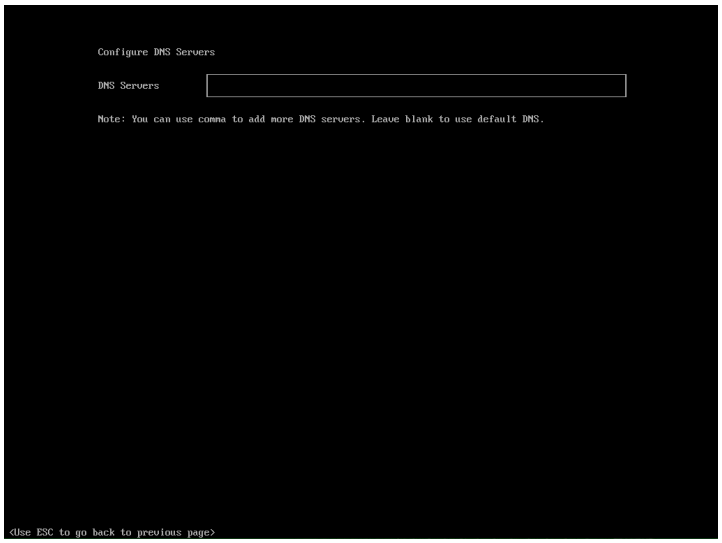

FIGURE 4: DNS CONFIGURATION

- Management IP address

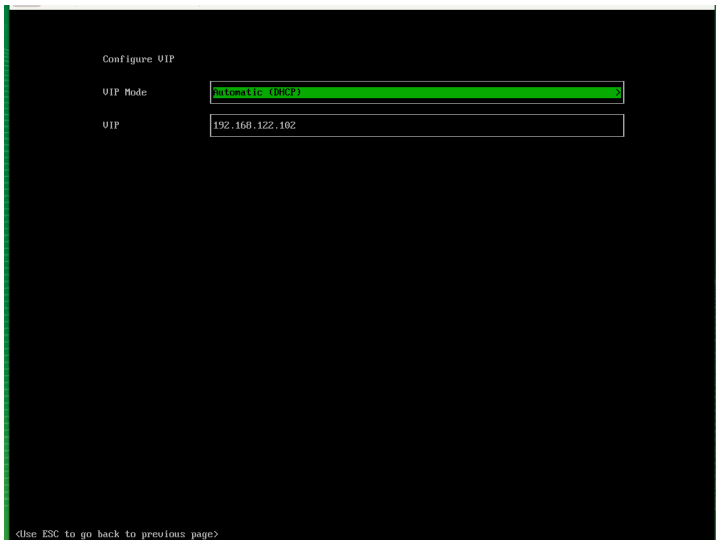

FIGURE 5: CONFIGURE MANAGEMENT IP ADDRESS

- Define cluster token. This is needed when joining other Harvester nodes.

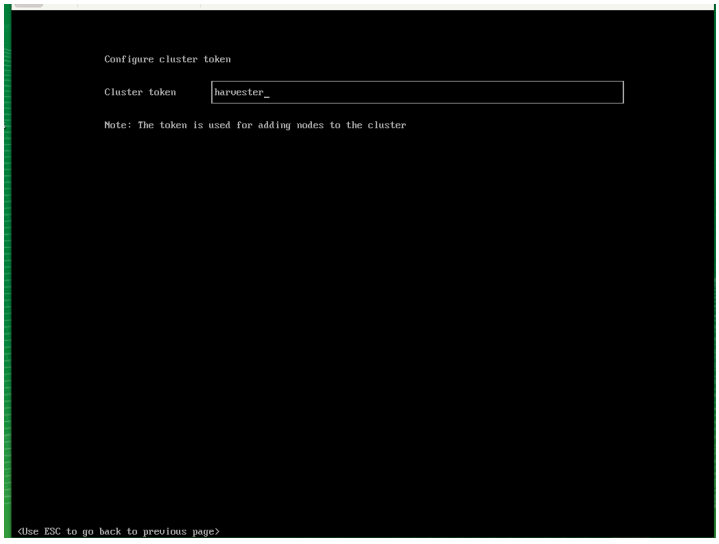

FIGURE 6: DEFINE CLUSTERTOKEN

- Set the node shell access password. Default user is "rancher".

FIGURE 7: SET PASSWORD FOR NODE ACCESS

- Configure the time server.

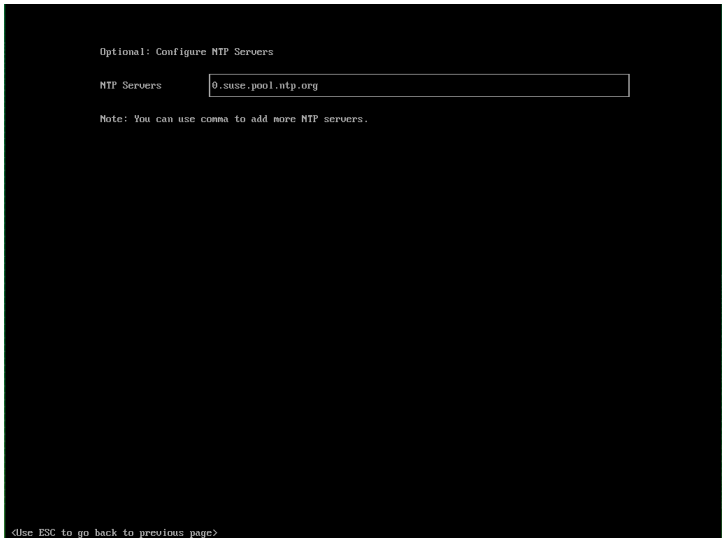

FIGURE 8: TIMEHOST CONFIGURATION

- Proxy servers (optional) are being entered.

Finally, a review panel is displayed.

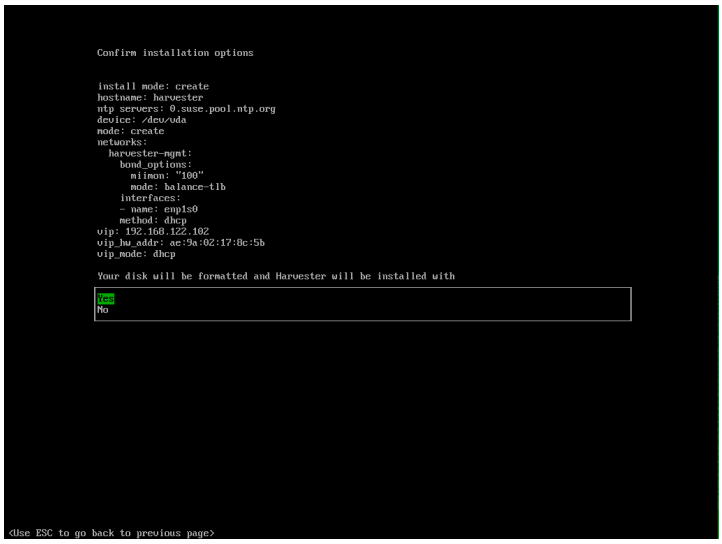

FIGURE 9: REVIEW INSTALLATION SETTINGS

Confirm the configuration. The installation will start.

When the installation is finished, you will see the following screen:

FIGURE 10: INSTALLATION FINISHED

This means that Harvester is up and running. Be patient as it can take some minutes.

For more installation options, see the Harvester documentation at https://docs.harvester-hci.io/v1.1

For productive environments, it is recommended to set up a Harvester cluster consisting of at least three nodes (or a higher odd number). To join nodes to the existing Harvester installation, simply select "Join existing Harvester cluster" after booting the node from the installation media.

FIGURE 11: JOIN HARVESTER CLUSTER

For the installation workflow described, the following information is needed in addition:

- the management VIP
- the cluster token

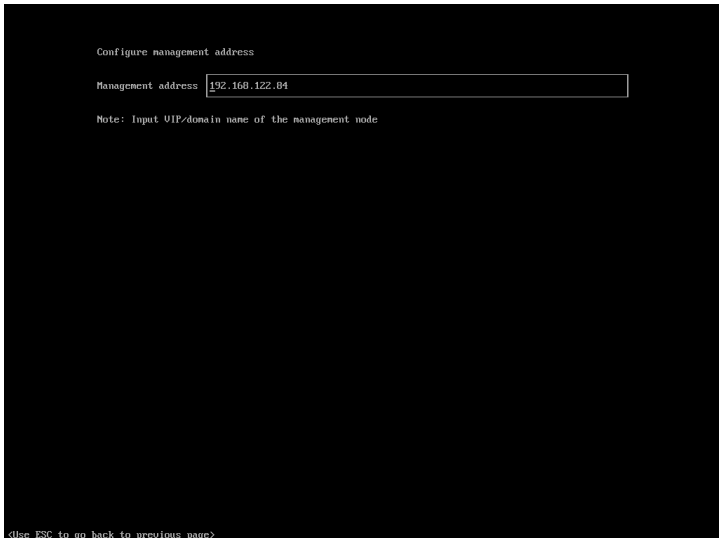

FIGURE 12: HARVESTER VIP

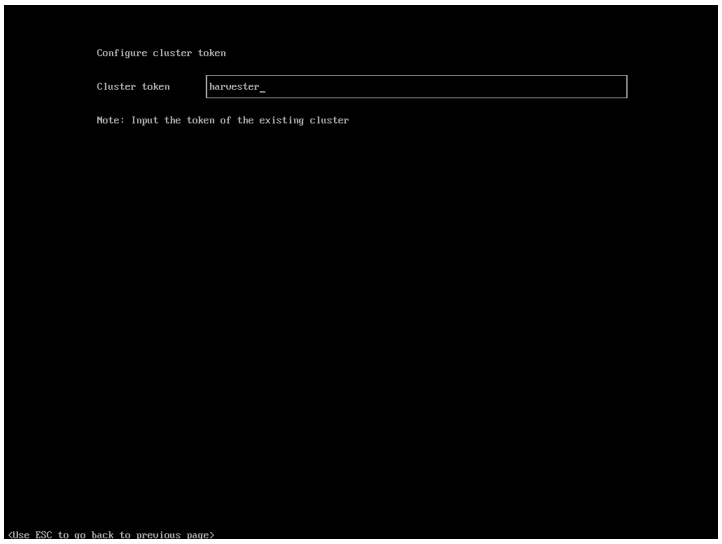

FIGURE 13: CLUSTER TOKEN

4.5 Accessing the management UI

The Harvester HCI is managed via a Web UI:

- Use the management (VIP) address to access the Harvester UI via an Internet browser. Next, set up the administrative account for Harvester.

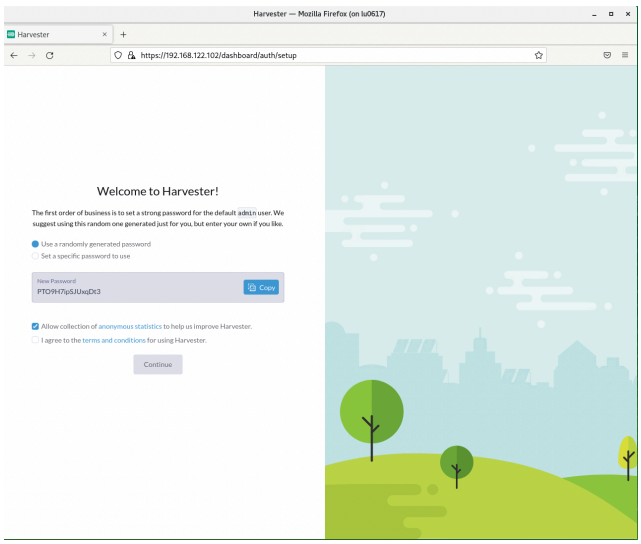

FIGURE 14: FIRST WELCOME

- After logging in, the Harvester Cluster overview dashboard is displayed.

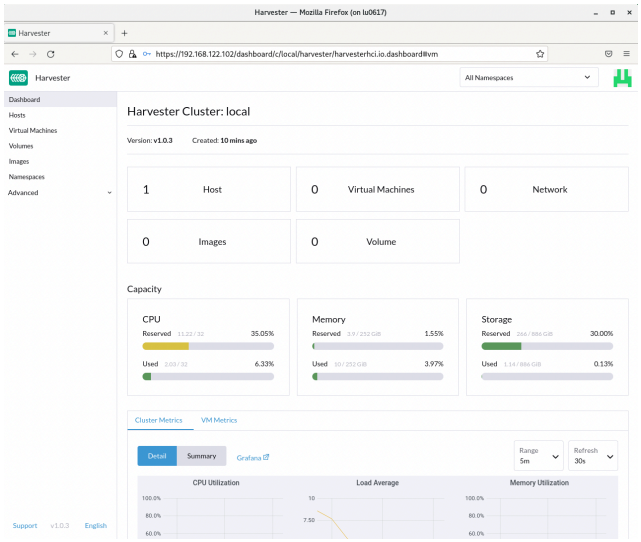

FIGURE 15: HARVESTER DASHBOARD

5 Installing Rancher Prime

5.1 Preparation

To provide a highly available Rancher Prime setup, you need a load balancer for your Rancher Prime nodes. If you already have a load balancer, you can use that to make Rancher Prime highly available.

If you do not plan to set up a highly available Rancher Prime cluster, you can skip this section.

5.1.1 Installing a haproxy-based load balancer

This section describes how to set up a custom load balancer using `haproxy`.

Set up a virtual machine or a bare metal server with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server and SUSE Linux Enterprise High Availability or use SUSE Linux Enterprise Server for SAP applications. Install the `haproxy` package.

```
sudo zypper in haproxy
```

Create the configuration for `haproxy`. Find an example configuration file for `haproxy` below and adapt for the actual environment.

```
sudo cat <<EOF > /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg
global
  log /dev/log daemon
  maxconn 32768
  chroot /var/lib/haproxy
  user haproxy
  group haproxy
  daemon
  tune.bufsize 32768
  tune.ssl.default-dh-param 2048
  ssl-default-bind-ciphers ALL:!aNULL:!eNULL:!EXPORT:!DES:!3DES:!MD5:!PSK:!RC4:!ADH:!
LOW@STRENGTH

defaults
  log     global
  mode    tcp
  option  log-health-checks
  option  log-separate-errors
  option  dontlog-normal
  option  dontlognull
  option  tcplog
  retries 3
  option  redispatch
  maxconn 10000
  timeout connect     5s
  timeout client     50s
  timeout server    450s

listen stats
  bind 0.0.0.0:80
  bind :::80 v6only
  stats enable
  stats uri     /
  stats refresh 5s

# access the kubernetes api
frontend kubeapi
  bind *:6443
  mode tcp
  default_backend kubeapibackend

# address to register new nodes
frontend rke2server
  bind *:9345
  mode tcp
  default_backend rke2serverbackend
```

```
backend kubeapibackend
  balance roundrobin
  server mynode1 192.168.122.20:6443 check
  server mynode2 192.168.122.30:6443 check
  server mynode3 192.168.122.40:6443 check


backend rke2serverbackend
  balance roundrobin
  server mynode1 192.168.122.20:9345 check
EOF
```

Check the configuration file:

```
haproxy -f /path/to/your/haproxy.conf -c
```

Enable and start the `haproxy` load balancer:

```
sudo systemctl enable haproxy
sudo systemctl start haproxy
```

Do not forget to restart or reload `haproxy` if any changes are made to the haproxy configuration file.

5.2 Installing RKE2

To install RKE2, the script provided at https://get.rke2.io can be used as follows:

```
sudo curl -sfL https://get.rke2.io | INSTALL_RKE2_VERSION=v1.31.7+rke2r1 sh
```

For HA setups, you must create RKE2 cluster configuration files in advance. On the first master node, do the following:

```
sudo mkdir -p /etc/rancher/rke2
cat <<EOF > /etc/rancher/rke2/config.yaml
token: 'your cluster token'
system-default-registry: registry.rancher.com
tls-san:
  - FQDN of fixed registration address on load balancer
  - other hostname
  - IP v4 address
EOF
```

Create configuration files for additional cluster nodes:

```
cat <<EOF > /etc/rancher/rke2/config.yaml
server: https://"FQDN of registration address":9345
```

```
token: 'your cluster token'
system-default-registry: registry.rancher.com
tls-san:
  - FQDN of fixed registration address on load balancer
  - other hostname
  - IP v4 address
EOF
```

Important

You also need to consider taking etcd snapshots and perform backups of your Rancher instance. These topics are not covered in this document, but you can find more information in our official documentation. Helpful links are https://documentation.suse.com/cloudnative/rke2/latest/en/backup_restore.html and https://documentation.suse.com/cloudnative/rancher-manager/latest/en/rancher-admin/back-up-restore-and-disaster-recovery/back-up-restore-and-disaster-recovery.html.

IMPORTANT: For security reasons, we generally recommend activating the CIS profile when installing RKE2. This is currently still being validated and will be included in the documentation at a later date.

Now enable and start the RKE2 components and run the following command on each cluster node:

```
sudo systemctl enable rke2-server --now
```

To verify the installation, run the following command:

```
/var/lib/rancher/rke2/bin/kubectl --kubeconfig /etc/rancher/rke2/rke2.yaml get nodes
```

For convenience, you can add the `kubectl` binary to the **$PATH** and set the specified `kubeconfig` via an environment variable:

```
export PATH=$PATH:/var/lib/rancher/rke2/bin/
export KUBECONFIG=/etc/rancher/rke2/rke2.yaml
```

5.3 Installing Helm

To install Rancher Prime and some of its required components, you need to use Helm.

One way to install Helm is to run:

```
curl https://raw.githubusercontent.com/helm/helm/main/scripts/get-helm-3 | bash
```

5.4 Installing cert-manager

To install the `cert-manager` package, do the following:

```
kubectl create namespace cert-manager
```

If you want to install `cert-manager` from the *application-collection* , you must create an imagePullSecret.

How to create the **imagePullSecret** is described in the *Section 10.1, "Creating an imagePullSecret for the Rancher Application Collection"*.

5.4.1 Installing the application

You will need to login to the Rancher Application Collection:

```
helm registry login dp.apps.rancher.io/charts -u <yourUser> -p <your-token>
```

```
helm install cert-manager oci://dp.apps.rancher.io/charts/cert-manager \
    --set crds.enabled=true \
    --set-json 'global.imagePullSecrets=[{"name":"application-collection"}]' \
    --namespace=cert-manager \
    --version 1.15.2
```

5.5 Installing Rancher Prime

To install Rancher Prime, you need to add the related Helm repository. To achieve that, use the following command:

```
helm repo add rancher-prime https://charts.rancher.com/server-charts/prime
```

Next, create the `cattle-system` namespace in Kubernetes as follows:

```
kubectl create namespace cattle-system
```

The Kubernetes cluster is now ready for the installation of Rancher Prime:

```
helm install rancher rancher-prime/rancher \
    --namespace cattle-system \
    --set hostname=<your.domain.com> \
    --set replicas=3
```

During the rollout of Rancher Prime, you can monitor the progress using the following command:

```
kubectl -n cattle-system rollout status deploy/rancher
```

When the deployment is done, you can access the Rancher Prime cluster at https://<your.domain.com>. Here you will also find a description about how to log in for the first time.

6 Using Harvester and Rancher Prime together

Important

If not done already, make sure the desired Harvester installation is compatible with your Rancher Prime setup: https://docs.harvesterhci.io/v1.0/rancher/rancher-integration#rancher—harvester-support-matrix

6.1 Connecting Harvester with Rancher Prime

To connect Harvester with Rancher Prime, the first step is to access Rancher. The menu in the upper left corner allows you to open the Virtualization Management tab.

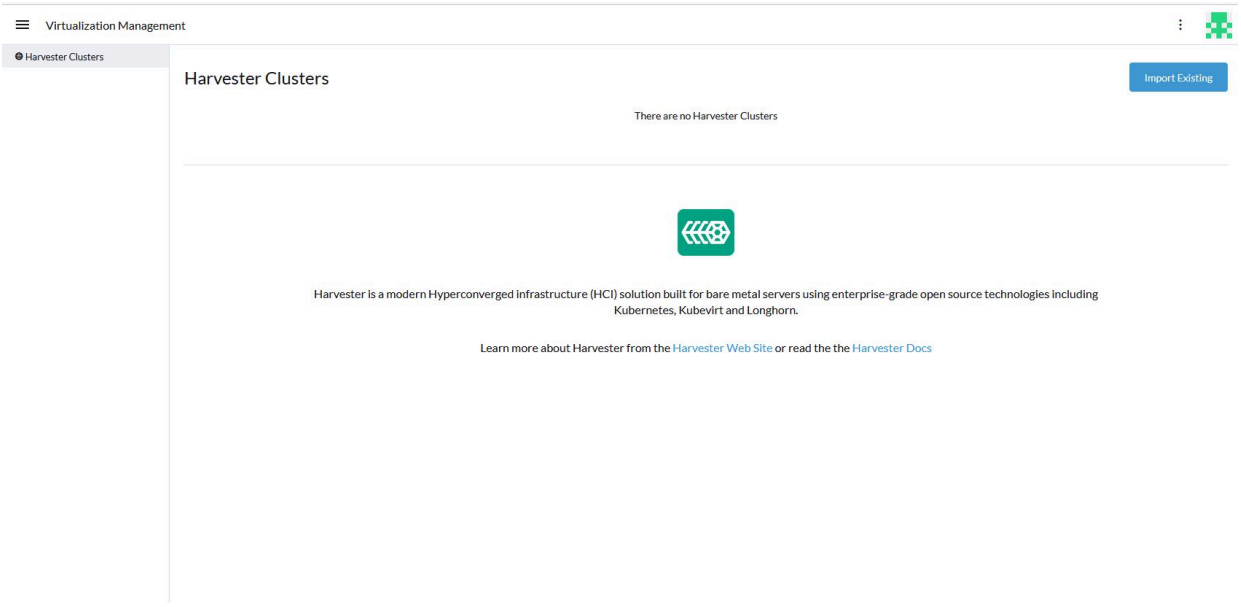

FIGURE 16: RANCHER VIRTUALIZATION MANAGEMENT

The only option available here should be the "Import Existing" button. Click this button.

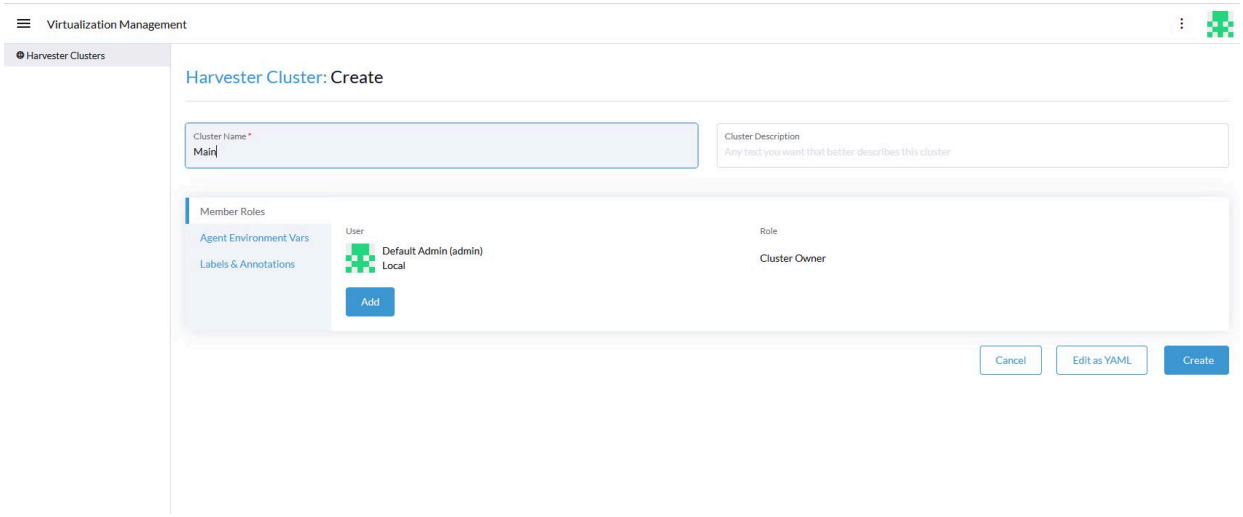

FIGURE 17: CREATE HARVESTER CLUSTER

On the next screen, enter a name for the Harvester cluster.

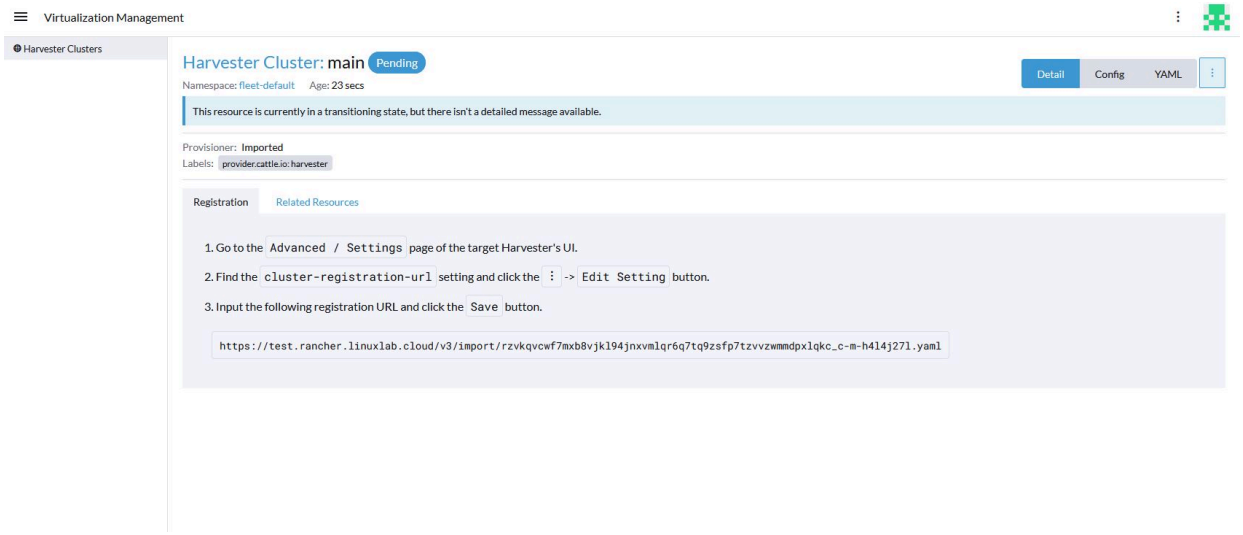

FIGURE 18: CREATE HARVESTER CLUSTER

After clicking the "Create" button, three steps to be executed on the Harvester cluster are shown.

6.2 Provisioning virtual machines with RKE2

After Rancher Prime and Harvester are connected, virtual machines can be provisioned using Rancher Prime. To do so, access Rancher Prime and click "Create" in the home tab. Select the option "Harvester" and make sure that RKE2/K3s is selected.

Next, the "Cluster: Create Harvester" page is loaded.

The first step you perform here is to set the cluster name. The "Machine Pools" section specifies the number of machines to be provisioned, their Kubernetes role, and further VM specific parameters.

The "Cluster Configuration" section allows you to set some Kubernetes-specific parameters. Here, select the Kubernetes version to fulfill the requirements of the desired workload.

Within the scope of this guide it is recommended to deploy three master nodes (roles: etcd & Control Plane) and four worker nodes (roles: Worker) for SAP Data Intelligence. Check *Section 2.1.1, "Hardware Sizing"* to fill out the machine specific configurations to meet the requirements for the given purpose and *Section 6.2, "Provisioning virtual machines with RKE2"* to get an overview how to roll out an RKE2 cluster using Harvester.

When all machines are provisioned and the RKE2 cluster is up and running, a storage must be made available for SAP Data Intelligence. SUSE offers Longhorn which is a validated storage for SAP Data Intelligence workloads. The next chapter describes how to set up Longhorn.

Important

SAP Data Intelligence requires an S3 compatible storage for its backups, which is not delivered by Longhorn. Check the related SAP Note (https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2871970) to get an overview of the supported storage solutions together with RKE2.

7 Installing Longhorn

This chapter details the minimum requirements to install Longhorn and describes three different ways for the installation. For more details, visit https://longhorn.io/docs/1.6.2/deploy/install/

7.1 Requirements

Before Longhorn can be installed on a Kubernetes cluster, all nodes must have the `open-iscsi` package installed, and the ISCSI daemon needs to be started. To do so, run:

```
sudo zypper in -y open-iscsi
sudo systemctl enable iscsid  --now
```

To ensure a node is prepared for Longhorn, you can use the following script to check:

```
curl -sSfL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/longhorn/longhorn/v1.6.2/scripts/
environment_check.sh | bash
```

7.2 Installing Longhorn using Rancher Prime

Up-to-date and detailed instructions how to install Longhorn using Rancher Prime can be found at https://longhorn.io/docs/1.6.2/deploy/install/install-with-rancher/

7.3 Installing Longhorn using Helm

To install Longhorn using Helm, run the following commands:

```
helm repo add longhorn https://charts.longhorn.io
helm repo update
helm install longhorn longhorn/longhorn --namespace longhorn-system --create-namespace
```

These commands will add the Longhorn Helm charts to the list of Helm repositories, update the Helm repository, and execute the installation of Longhorn. = = = Installing Longhorn using `kubectl`

You can install Longhorn using `kubectl` with the following command:

```
kubectl apply -f https://raw.githubusercontent.com/longhorn/longhorn/v1.6.2/deploy/
longhorn.yaml
```

7.4 Exposing Longhorn UI by creating an Ingress with Basic Authentication

- Create a basic *auth* file:

```
USER=<USERNAME_HERE>; \
  PASSWORD=<PASSWORD_HERE>; \
```

```
  echo "${USER}:$(openssl passwd -stdin -apr1 <<< ${PASSWORD})" >> auth
```

- Create a Secret from the file *auth*:

```
kubectl -n longhorn-system create secret generic basic-auth --from-file=auth
```

- Create the Ingress with basic authentication:

```
cat <<EOF > longhorn-ingress.yaml
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1beta1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
  name: longhorn-ingress
  namespace: longhorn-system
  annotations:
    # type of authentication
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/auth-type: basic
    # prevent the controller from redirecting (308) to HTTPS
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/ssl-redirect: 'false'
    # name of the secret that contains the user/password definitions
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/auth-secret: basic-auth
    # message to display with an appropriate context why the authentication is
 required
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/auth-realm: 'Authentication Required '
spec:
  rules:
  - http:
      paths:
      - path: /
        backend:
          serviceName: longhorn-frontend
          servicePort: 80
EOF

kubectl -n longhorn-system apply -f longhorn-ingress.yaml
```

For more details, visit https://longhorn.io/docs/1.6.2/deploy/accessing-the-ui/longhorn-ingress/.

8 Installing SAP Data Intelligence 3.3

This section describes the installation of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 on an RKE 2-powered Kubernetes cluster.

8.1 Preparation

The following steps need to be executed before the deployment of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 can start:

- Create a namespace for SAP Data Intelligence 3.3.
- Create an access to a secure private registry.
- Create a default storage class.
- Download and install SAP SLC Bridge.
- Download the *stack.xml* file for provisioning the DI 3.3 installation.
- Check if the `nfsd` and `nfsv4` kernel modules are loaded and/or loadable on the Kubernetes nodes.

8.1.1 Creating namespace for SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 in the Kubernetes cluster

Log in to your management workstation and create the namespace in the Kubernetes cluster where DI 3.3 will be deployed.

```
kubectl create ns <NAMESPACE for DI 31>
kubectl get ns
```

8.1.2 Creating *cert* file to access the secure private registry

Create a file named *cert* that contains the SSL certificate chain for the secure private registry. This imports the certificates into SAP Data Intelligence 3.3.

```
cat CA.pem > cert
kubectl -n <NAMESPACE for DI 31> create secret generic cmcertificates --from-file=cert
```

8.2 Creating default storage class

To install SAP Data Intelligence 3.3, a default storage class is needed to provision the installation with physical volumes (PV). Below find an example for a `ceph/rbd` based storage class that uses the CSI.

- Create the *yaml* files for the storage class. Contact your storage admin to get the required information.
- Create `config-map`:

```
cat << EOF > csi-config-map.yaml
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
data:
  config.json: |-
    [
      {
        "clusterID": "<ID of your ceph cluster>",
        "monitors": [
          "<IP of Monitor 1>:6789",
          "<IP of Monitor 2>:6789",
          "<IP of Monitor 3>:6789"
        ]
      }
    ]
metadata:
  name: ceph-csi-config
EOF
```

- Create a secret to access the storage:

```
cat << EOF > csi-rbd-secret.yaml
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: csi-rbd-secret
  namespace: default
stringData:
  userID: admin
  userKey: AQCR7htglvJzBxAAtPN0YUeSiDzyTeQe0lveDQ==
EOF
```

- Download the file:

```
curl -LO https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ceph/ceph-csi/master/deploy/rbd/
kubernetes/csi-rbdplugin-provisioner.yaml
```

- Download the file:

```
curl -LO https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ceph/ceph-csi/master/deploy/rbd/
kubernetes/csi-rbdplugin.yaml
```

- Create a pool on the Ceph storage where the PVs will be created, and insert the pool name and the Ceph cluster ID:

```
cat << EOF > csi-rbd-sc.yaml
---
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
   name: csi-rbd-sc
provisioner: rbd.csi.ceph.com
parameters:
   clusterID: <your ceph cluster id>
   pool: <your pool>
   csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-name: csi-rbd-secret
   csi.storage.k8s.io/provisioner-secret-namespace: default
   csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: csi-rbd-secret
   csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: default
reclaimPolicy: Delete
mountOptions:
   - discard
EOF
```

- Create *config* for encryption. This is needed, else the deployment of the CSI driver for `ceph/rbd` will fail.

```
cat << EOF > kms-config.yaml
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
data:
  config.json: |-
    {
      },
      "vault-tokens-test": {
          "encryptionKMSType": "vaulttokens",
          "vaultAddress": "http://vault.default.svc.cluster.local:8200",
          "vaultBackendPath": "secret/",
          "vaultTLSServerName": "vault.default.svc.cluster.local",
          "vaultCAVerify": "false",
          "tenantConfigName": "ceph-csi-kms-config",
          "tenantTokenName": "ceph-csi-kms-token",
```

```
          "tenants": {
              "my-app": {
                  "vaultAddress": "https://vault.example.com",
                  "vaultCAVerify": "true"
              },
              "an-other-app": {
                  "tenantTokenName": "storage-encryption-token"
              }
          }
       }
    }
metadata:
  name: ceph-csi-encryption-kms-config
EOF
```

- Deploy the `ceph`/`rbd` CSI and storage class:

```
kubectl apply -f csi-config-map.yaml
kubectl apply -f csi-rbd-secret.yaml
kubectl apply -f \
  https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ceph/ceph-csi/master/deploy/rbd/kubernetes/csi-
provisioner-rbac.yaml
kubectl apply -f \
  https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ceph/ceph-csi/master/deploy/rbd/kubernetes/csi-
nodeplugin-rbac.yaml
kubectl apply -f csi-rbdplugin-provisioner.yaml
kubectl apply -f csi-rbdplugin.yaml
kubectl apply -f csi-rbd-sc.yaml
kubectl apply -f kms-config.yaml
kubectl patch storageclass csi-rbd-sc \
  -p '{"metadata": {"annotations":{"storageclass.kubernetes.io/is-default-
class":"true"}}}'
```

- Check your storage class:

```
kubectl get sc
```

```
NAME                  PROVISIONER        RECLAIMPOLICY   VOLUMEBINDINGMODE
 ALLOWVOLUMEEXPANSION   AGE
csi-rbd-sc (default)   rbd.csi.ceph.com   Delete          Immediate           false
                 103m
```

8.3 Downloading the SLC Bridge

The SLC Bridge can be obtained:

- from the SAP software center at https://support.sap.com/en/tools/software-logistics-tools.html#section_622087154. Choose "Download SLC Bridge".
- via the information in the release notes of the SLC Bridge at https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2589449.
- via https://help.sap.com/viewer/a8d90a56d61a49718ebcb5f65014bbe7/3.3.latest/en-US/8ae38791d71046fab1f25ee0f682dc4c.html.

Download the SLC Bridge software to the management workstation.

8.4 Installing the SLC Bridge

Rename the SLC Bridge binary to `slcb` and make it executable. Deploy the SLC Bridge to the Kubernetes cluster.

```
mv SLCB01_XX-70003322.EXE slcb
chmod 0700 slcb
export KUBECONFIG=<KUBE_CONFIG>
./slcb init
```

During the interactive installation, the following information is needed:

- URL of secure private registry
- Choose **expert mode**
- Choose **NodePort** for the service

Take a note of the service port of the SLC Bridge. It is needed for the installation of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 or for the reconfiguration of DI 3.3, for example to enable backup. If you forgot to note it down, the following command will list the service port:

```
kubectl -n sap-slcbridge get svc
```

8.5 Creating and downloading Stack XML for the SAP Data Intelligence installation

Follow the steps described in the chapter Install SAP Data Intelligence with SLC Bridge in a Cluster with Internet Access (https://help.sap.com/viewer/a8d90a56d61a49718ebcb5f65014bbe7/3.3.latest/en-US/7e4847e241c340b3a3c50a5db11b46e2.html) of the SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 Installation Guide.

8.5.1 Creating Stack XML

You can create the Stack XML via the SAP Maintenance Planner. Access the tool via https://support.sap.com/en/alm/solution-manager/processes-72/maintenance-planner.html. Go to the Maintenance Planner at https://apps.support.sap.com/sap/support/mp published on the SAP Web site and generate a Stack XML file with the container image definitions of the SAP Data Intelligence release that you want to install. Download the Stack XML file to a local directory. Copy *stack.xml* to the management workstation.

8.6 Running the installation of SAP Data Intelligence

The installation of SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 is invoked by:

```
export KUBECONFIG=<path to kubeconfig>
./slcb execute --useStackXML MP_Stack_XXXXXXXXXX_XXXXXXXX_.xml --url https://
<node>:<service port>/docs/index.html
```

This starts an interactive process for configuring and deploying SAP Data Intelligence 3.3.

The table below lists some parameters available for an SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 installation:

Parameter	Condition	Recommendation
Kubernetes Namespace	Always	set to namespace created beforehand
Installation Type	installation or update	either
Container Registry	Always	add the uri for the secure private registry

Parameter	Condition	Recommendation
Checkpoint Store Configuration	installation	whether to enable Checkpoint Store
Checkpoint Store Type	if Checkpoint Store is enabled	use S3 object store from SES
Checkpoint Store Validation	if Checkpoint is enabled	Object store access will be verified
Container Registry Settings for Pipeline Modeler	optional	used if a second container registry is used
StorageClass Configuration	optional, needed if a different StorageClass is used for some components	leave the default
Default StorageClass	detected by SAP Data Intelligence installer	The Kubernetes cluster shall have a storage class annotated as default SC
Enable Kaniko Usage	optional if running on Docker	enable
Container Image Repository Settings for SAP Data Intelligence Modeler	mandatory	
Container Registry for Pipeline Modeler	optional	Needed if a different container registry is used for the pipeline modeler images
Loading NFS Modules	optional	Make sure that nfsd and nfsv4 kernel modules are loaded on all worker nodes
Additional Installer Parameters	optional	

For more details about input parameters for an SAP Data Intelligence 3.3 installation, visit the section Required Input Parameters (https://help.sap.com/viewer/a8d90a56d61a49718e-bcb5f65014bbe7/3.3.latest/en-US/abfa9c73f7704de2907ea7ff65e7a20a.html) of the SAP Data Intelligence Installation Guide.

8.7 Post-installation tasks

After the installation workflow is successfully finished, you need to carry out some additional tasks:

- Obtain or create an SSL certificate to securely access the SAP Data Intelligence installation:
  - Create a certificate request using `openssl`, for example:

    ```
    openssl req -newkey rsa:2048 -keyout <hostname>.key -out <hostname>.csr
    ```

  - Decrypt the key:

    ```
    openssl rsa -in <hostname>.key -out decrypted-<hostname>.key
    ```

  - Let a CA sign the <hostname>.csr You will receive a <hostname>.crt.
  - Create a secret from the certificate and the key in the SAP Data Intelligence 3 namespace:

    ```
    export NAMESPACE=<{di} 3 namespace>
    ```

```
kubectl -n $NAMESPACE create secret tls vsystem-tls-certs --key  decrypted-
<hostname>.key--cert <hostname>.crt
```

- Deploy an `nginx-ingress` controller:
  - For more information, see https://kubernetes.github.io/ingress-nginx/deploy/#bare-metal.
  - Create the `nginx-ingress` controller as a **nodePort** service according to the Ingress `nginx` documentation:

    ```
    kubectl apply -f https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kubernetes/ingress-nginx/
    controller-v0.46.0/deploy/static/provider/baremetal/deploy.yaml
    ```

  - Determine the port the `nginx` controller is redirecting HTTPS to:

    ```
    kubectl -n ingress-nginx get svc ingress-nginx-controller
    ```

    The output should be similar to the below:

    ```
    NAME                       TYPE       CLUSTER-IP    EXTERNAL-IP   PORT(S)
                    AGE
    ingress-nginx-controller   NodePort   10.43.86.90   <none>        80:31963/
    TCP,443:{di_version}06/TCP   53d
    ```

    In our example here, the TLS port is be 3.306. Note the port IP down as you will need it to access the SAP Data Intelligence installation from the outside.

- Create an Ingress to access the SAP Data Intelligence installation:

```
cat <<EOF > ingress.yaml
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
  annotations:
    kubernetes.io/ingress.class: nginx
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/force-ssl-redirect: "true"
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/secure-backends: "true"
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/backend-protocol: HTTPS
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/proxy-body-size: "0"
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/proxy-buffer-size: 16k
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/proxy-connect-timeout: "30"
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/proxy-read-timeout: "1800"
    nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/proxy-send-timeout: "1800"
  name: vsystem
spec:
```

```
  rules:
  - host: "<hostname FQDN must match SSL certificate"
    http:
      paths:
      - backend:
          serviceName: vsystem
          servicePort: 8797
        path: /
  tls:
  - hosts:
    - "<hostname FQDN must match SSL certificate>"
    secretName: vsystem-tls-certs
EOF
kubectl apply -f ingress.yaml
```

- Connecting to https://hostname:<ingress service port> brings up the SAP Data Intelligence login dialog.

8.8 Testing the SAP Data Intelligence 3 installation

Finally, the SAP Data Intelligence 3 installation should be verified with some very basic tests:

- Log in to SAP Data Intelligence's launchpad
- Create example pipeline
- Create ML Scenario
- Test machine learning
- Download `vctl`

For details, see the SAP Data Intelligence 3 Installation Guide (https://help.sap.com/viewer/a8d90a56d61a49718ebcb5f65014bbe7/3.3.latest/en-US/1551785f3d7e4d37af7fe99185f7acb6.html)

9 Maintenance tasks

This section provides some tips about what should and could be done to maintain the Kubernetes cluster, the operating system and the SAP Data Intelligence 3 deployment.

9.1 Backup

It is good practice to keep backups of all relevant data to be able to restore the environment in case of a failure. To perform regular backups, follow the instructions as outlined in the respective documentation below:

- For RKE 2, consult section Backups and Disaster Recovery (https://rancher.com/docs/rke/latest/en/etcd-snapshots/)
- SAP Data Intelligence 3 can be configured to create regular backups. For more information, visit help.sap.com: https://help.sap.com/viewer/a8d90a56d61a49718ebcb5f65014bbe7/3.3.latest/en-US/e8d4c33e6cd648b0af9fd674dbf6e76c.html.

9.2 Upgrade or update

This section explains how you can keep your installation of SAP Data Intelligence, RKE 2 and SUSE Linux Enterprise Server up-to-date.

9.2.1 Updating the operating system

To obtain updates for SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4, the installation must be registered either to SUSE Customer Center, an SMT or RMT server, or SUSE Manager with a valid subscription.

- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4 can be updated on the command line using `zypper`:

```
sudo zypper ref -s
sudo zypper lu
sudo zypper patch
```

- Other methods for updating SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4 are described in the product documentation (https://documentation.suse.com/sles).

If an update requires a reboot of the server, make sure that this can be done safely.

- For example, block access to SAP Data Intelligence, and drain and cordon the Kubernetes node before rebooting:

```
kubectl edit ingress <put in some dummy port>
```

```
kubectl drain <node>
```

- Check the status of the node:

```
kubectl get node <node>
```

The node should be marked as **not schedulable**.

- On RKE 2 master nodes, run the command:

```
sudo systemctl stop rke2-server
```

- On RKE 2 worker nodes, run the command:

```
sudo systemctl stop rke2-agent
```

- Update SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4:

```
ssh node
sudo zypper patch
```

- Reboot the nodes if necessary or start the appropriate RKE 2 service.
  - On master nodes, run the command:

```
sudo systemctl start rke2-server
```

  - On worker nodes, run the command:

```
sudo systemctl start rke2-agent
```

- Check if the respective nodes are back and uncordon them.

```
kubectl get nodes
kubectl uncordon <node>
```

10 Appendix

10.1 Creating an imagePullSecret for the Rancher Application Collection

To make the resources available for deployment, you need to create an imagePullSecret. In this guide, we use the name *application-collection* for it.

10.1.1 Creating an imagePullSecret using kubectl

Using `kubectl` to create the imagePullSecret is quite easy. Get your user name and your access token for the Rancher Application Collection. Then run:

```
kubectl -n <namespace> create secret docker-registry application-collection --docker-
server=dp.apps.rancher.io --docker-username=<yourUser> --docker-password=<yourPassword>
```

As secrets are namespace-sensitive, you need to create this for every required namespace.

10.1.2 Creating an imagePullSecret using Rancher Prime

You can also create an imagePullSecret using Rancher Prime. To do so, open Rancher Prime and enter your cluster.

Navigate to **Storage** → **Secrets** as shown below:

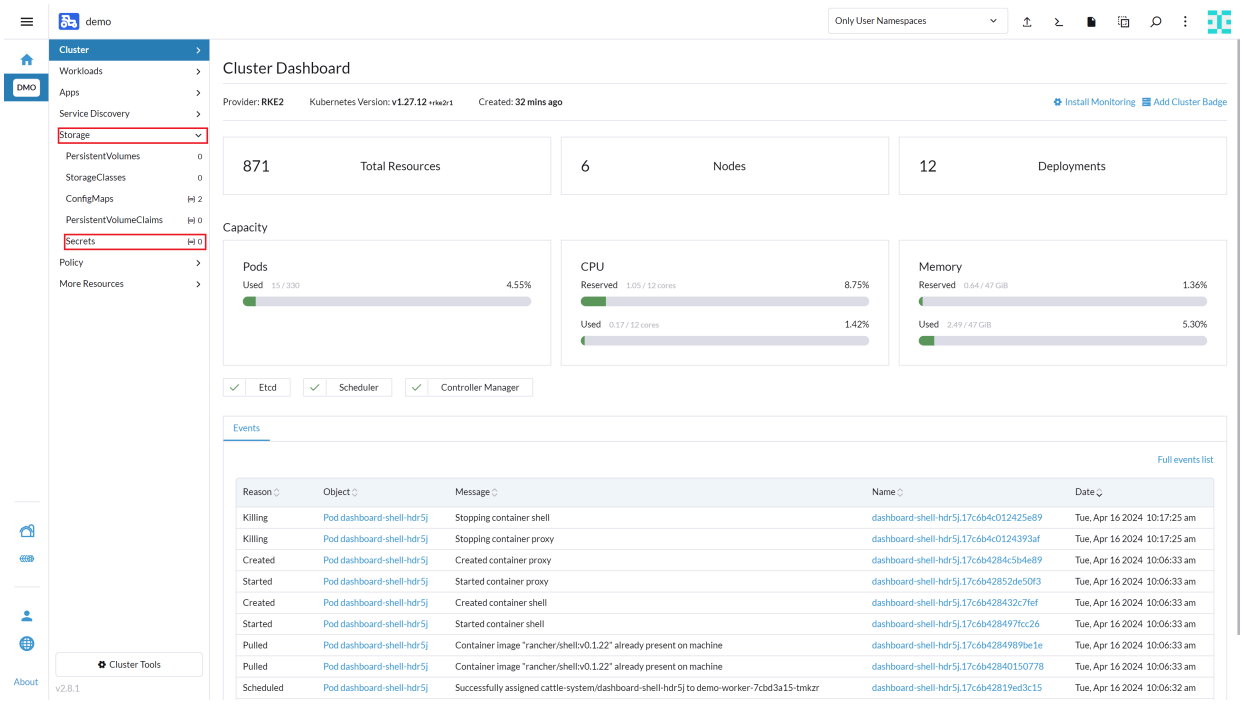

FIGURE 19: SECRETS MENU

Click the **Create** button in the top right corner.

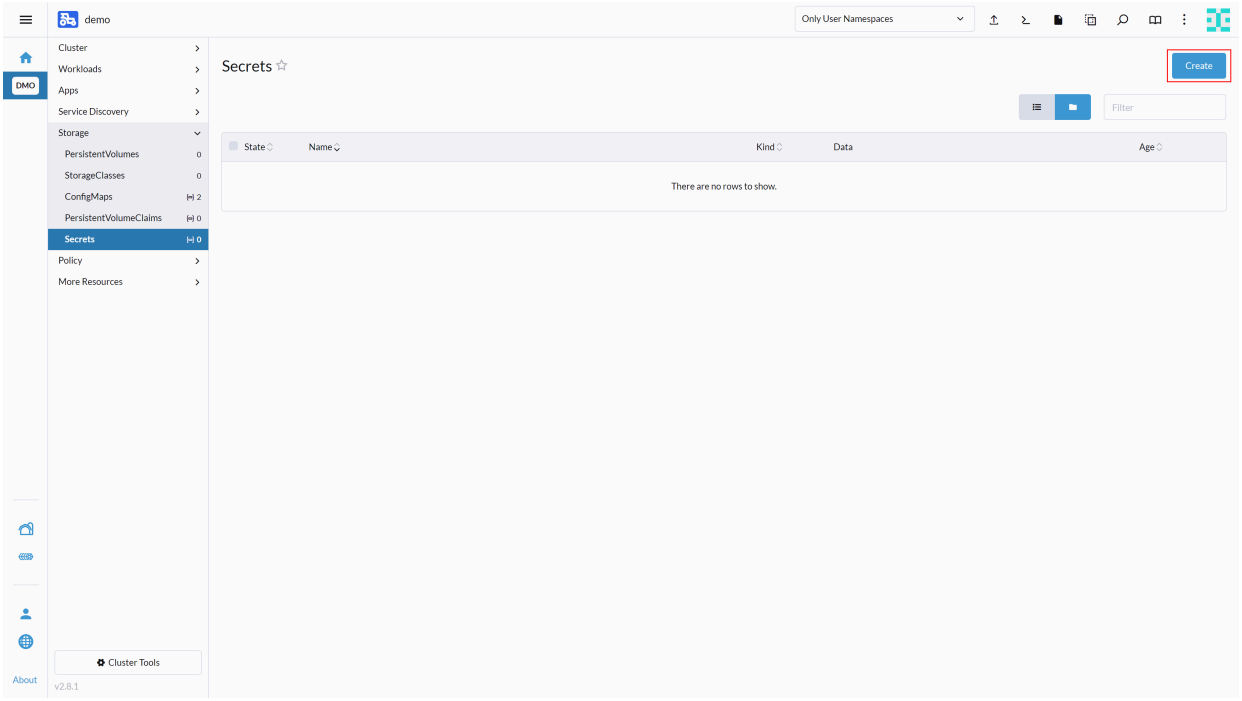

FIGURE 20: SECRETS OVERVIEW

A window will appear asking you to select the secret type. Select **Registry** as shown here:

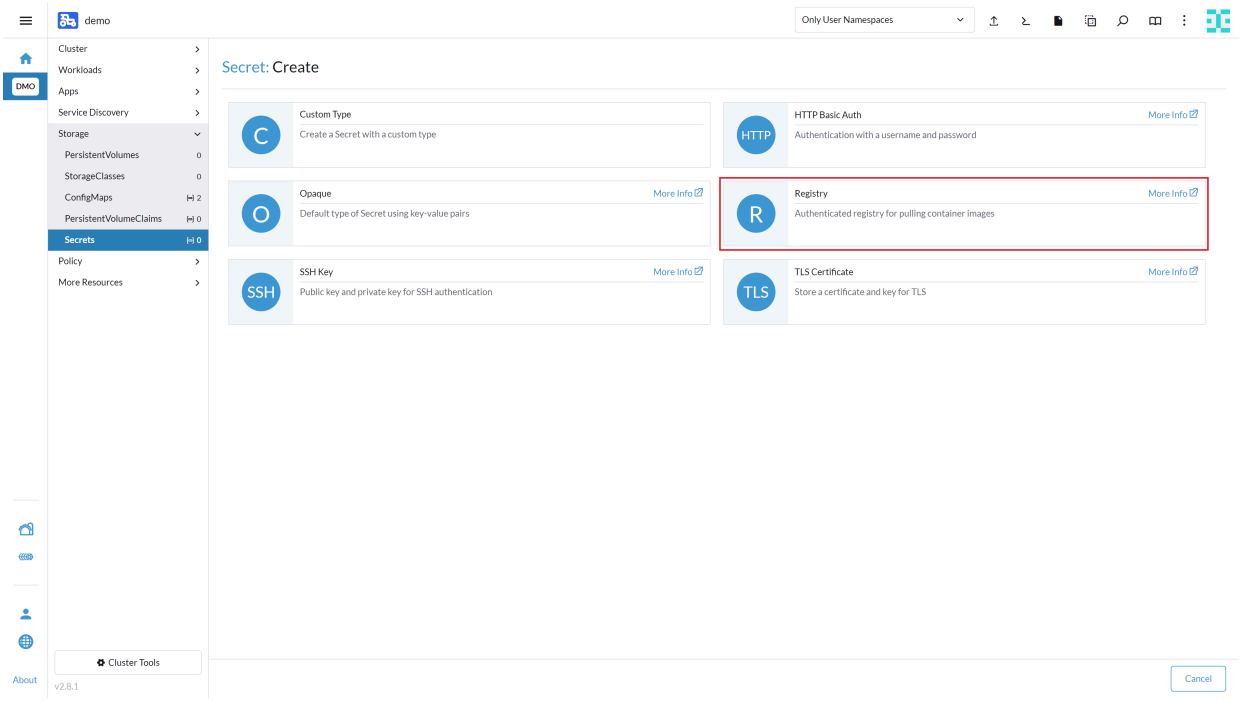

FIGURE 21: SECRETS TYPE SELECTION

Enter a name such as *application-collection* for the secret. In the text box **Registry Domain Name**, enter *dp.apps.rancher.io*. Enter your user name and password and click the **Create** button at the bottom right.

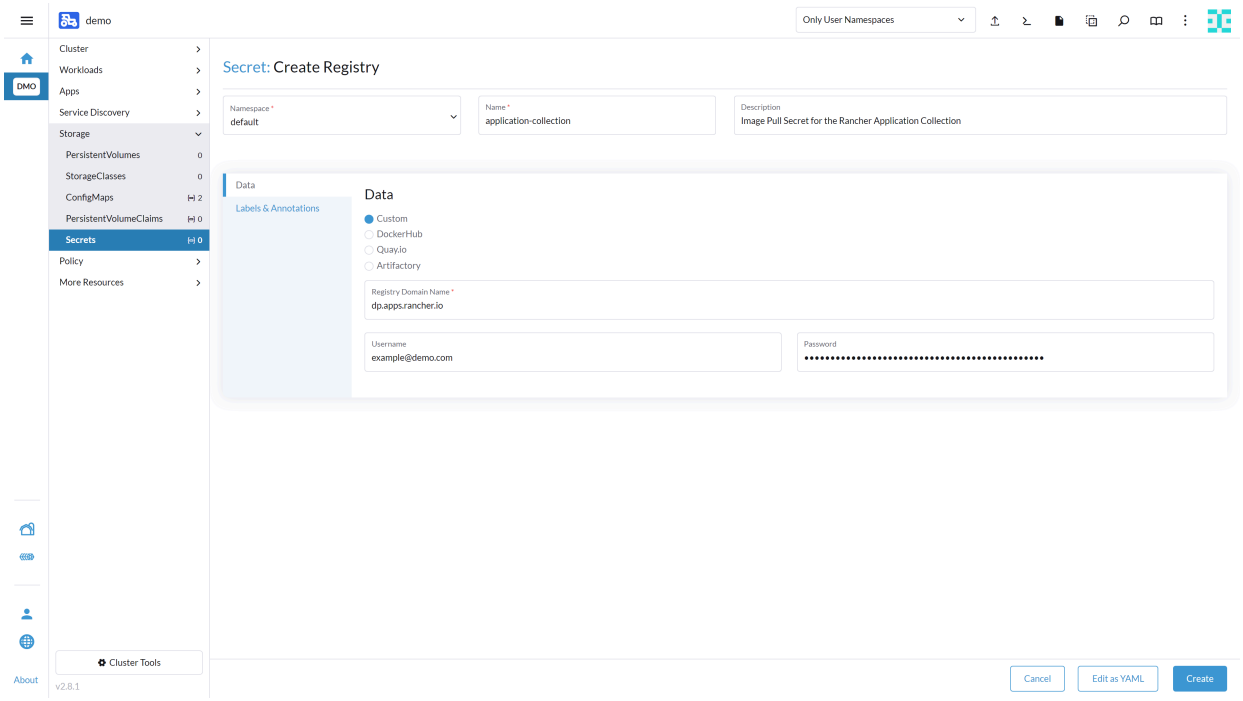

FIGURE 22: SECRETS CREATION STEP

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