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The Observability module is a core feature of the ACP platform that provides comprehensive monitoring and observability capabilities for cloud-native applications.

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- **Synthetic monitoring (probe)** for proactive endpoint testing
- **Centralized logging** for unified log management and analysis
- **Real-time monitoring** for metrics collection and alerting
- **Distributed tracing** for end-to-end request tracking across microservices

By combining these capabilities into a single platform, it enables organizations to achieve complete visibility into application performance, rapidly diagnose issues, ensure system reliability, and optimize user experience across their entire technology stack.

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 - Plugin version: $\geq$ v1.0
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Download Plugin Package

Log in to the package portal and download the latest Alauda Container Platform Cluster Notification plugin package.

Push the Plugin to Platform with violet

Use violet to push the Alauda Container Platform Cluster Notification plugin to the platform:

```
violet push aiops-notification-business.ALL.vx.x.x.tgz \
  --platform-address https://<platform-address>/ \
  --platform-token "<platform_token>"
```

For non-interactive use, prefer `--platform-token` over a username and password. Identity provider (IdP) users must use a platform token. For all authentication options, see [Upload Packages](#).

Install via web console

1. Navigate to **Administrator > Marketplace > Cluster Plugins**
2. Search for **Alauda Container Platform Cluster Notification** and click to view its details
3. Click **Install**
4. Select the target cluster and confirm the installation

Install via YAML

```

apiVersion: cluster.alauda.io/v1alpha1
kind: ModuleInfo
metadata:
  annotations:
    cpaas.io/display-name: aiops-notification-business
    cpaas.io/module-name: '{"en": "Alauda Container Platform Cluster Notifi
cation",
      "zh": "Alauda Container Platform Cluster Notification"}'
  labels:
    cpaas.io/cluster-name: <cluster-name>           # Target cluster
name
    cpaas.io/module-name: aiops-notification-business
    cpaas.io/module-type: plugin
    cpaas.io/product: Platform-Center
    name: aiops-notification-<cluster-name>         # Resource name
spec:
  version: v1.0.0                                   # Plugin version

```

Configure Email Service

After the plugin is installed, it does not come with any notification configuration by default. Users need to manually create the relevant YAML configuration. The configuration needs to be created in the same cluster as the plugin.

Email Server Config


```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  annotations:
  labels:
    cpaas.io/notification.server.category: Email
    cpaas.io/notification.server.type: Email
  name: platform-email-server
  namespace: cpaas-system
type: NotificationServer
data:
  displayNameEn: RW1haWw=
  displayNameZh: 6YKu5Lu2
  from: dGVzdEBleGFtcGxLLmNvbQo=
  host: bWFpbC5leGFtcGxLLmNvbQo=
  insecureSkipVerify: dHJ1ZQ==
  password: MTIzNDU2Cg==
  port: NDY1
  sslEnabled: dHJ1ZQ==
  username: dGVzdEBleGFtcGxLLmNvbQo=
```

Field Descriptions

Field	Description
displayNameEn	Display name in English
displayNameZh	Display name in Chinese
from	Sender email address (e.g., test@example.com ↗)
host	Email service address (e.g., mail.example.com)
port	Email service port
username	Sender username
password	Sender password
sslEnabled	Enable SSL (true/false)

Field	Description
insecureSkipVerify	Skip certificate verification (default: true)

Note: All field values in the secret data must be encoded using base64. Users only need to update the information in the data section.

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Use Alerting to configure notification delivery and alert-related operations for platform and workload observability.

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During post-installation, configure alert notification delivery before teams depend on platform and workload alerts. Use this Alerting area for detailed alert and notification procedures.

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Introduction

The Monitoring module is a core component of the ACP platform's observability suite that provides comprehensive monitoring and alerting capabilities for platform administrators and operations teams.

This module delivers four essential monitoring capabilities:

- **Metrics collection** for real-time performance data gathering from clusters, nodes, applications, and containers
- **Dashboards** for intuitive visualization and analysis of system health and performance trends
- **Alerting** for proactive detection of issues through customizable rules and thresholds
- **Notifications** for timely delivery of alert information to operations personnel

By integrating these capabilities with open-source components like Prometheus and VictoriaMetrics, it enables organizations to maintain system reliability, prevent downtime, reduce operational costs, and ensure optimal performance across their entire infrastructure.

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The monitoring component provides the infrastructure for monitoring, alerting, inspection, and health checking functions within the observability module. Install ACP Monitoring with Prometheus or ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics in a cluster.

To decide which plugin to install, first review the [Monitoring Component Selection Guide](#) and choose the option that best fits your cluster scale, storage plan, and operational requirements.

Perses monitoring dashboards require additional dashboard components. Install these components when you need to view, create, or migrate dashboards in **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)**.

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Some Monitoring components are resource-intensive. We recommend placing them on infra nodes through plugin configuration. Prometheus and VictoriaMetrics both support plugin-level `nodeSelector` and `tolerations` settings. If you are evaluating the product and have not provisioned infra nodes, you can leave these settings empty so the components run on general nodes.

For guidance on planning infra nodes, see [Cluster Node Planning](#).

Before installing the monitoring components, please ensure the following conditions are met:

- The appropriate monitoring component has been selected by referring to the [Monitoring Component Selection Guide](#).
- When installing in a workload cluster, ensure that the `global` cluster can access port 11780 of the workload cluster.
- If you need to use storage classes or persistent volume storage for monitoring data, please create the corresponding resources in the **Storage** section in advance.

Install Perses Dashboard Components

Perses monitoring dashboards depend on the following components:

Component	Installation location	Purpose
Alauda Container Platform Dashboard Essentials	Only the <code>global</code> cluster	Provides the RBAC-aware metric query service used by Perses dashboards.
Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses	The <code>global</code> cluster runs the only Perses server instance. Workload clusters install the operator as needed to provide PersesDashboard CRDs, but do not create Perses instances.	Provides the Perses dashboard backend, rendering, editing, and PersesDashboard resource management capabilities.

Perses server and `observe-api` are created only in the `global` cluster. When you select a workload cluster in the console, the console still routes Perses server requests to the `global` cluster. The selected workload cluster determines which cluster's metrics and PersesDashboard resources are used. `observe-api` queries metrics across clusters and enforces RBAC.

Install the components in the following order:

1. Install **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard Essentials** in the `global` cluster.
2. Create an `ObserveAPI` instance in the `global` cluster. You can use the **Create** action of the component or OperatorHub entry, or apply a CR such as the following:

```
apiVersion: observe.alauda.io/v1alpha1
kind: ObserveAPI
metadata:
  name: observe-api
  namespace: cpaas-system
spec: {}
```

Verify that the `observe-api` Deployment is running.

3. Install **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses** in the `global` cluster.
4. Create the only `Perses` instance in the `global` cluster. You can use the **Create** action of the component or OperatorHub entry, or apply a CR such as the following:

```

apiVersion: perses.dev/v1alpha2
kind: Perses
metadata:
  name: cpaas-perses
  namespace: cpaas-system
  annotations:
    perses.dev/ingress.enabled: "true"
spec:
  replicas: 2
  containerPort: 8080
  storage:
    emptyDir: {}
  config:
    frontend:
      disable: true

```

Verify that the `cpaas-perses` Deployment is running.

- For each workload cluster where users need to view or create Perses dashboards, install **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses** to provide PersesDashboard CRDs in that cluster. Do not create a `Perses` instance in workload clusters.
- Go to **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)** and verify that the dashboard list is available in the selected cluster.

If a selected cluster has not installed **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses**, the Perses dashboard page shows an installation guide instead of a dashboard list.

The Perses dashboard components reuse the existing platform metric storage, such as VictoriaMetrics or Prometheus. They do not introduce a separate metric storage or tenant.

Installing the operators only installs the controllers and CRDs. You must create the corresponding `ObserveAPI` and `Perses` instances in the `global` cluster before the actual `observe-api` and Perses server workloads are started.

ACP Monitoring with Prometheus

Install from the Console

1. Navigate to **App Store Management > Cluster Plugins** and select the target cluster.
2. Locate the **ACP Monitoring with Prometheus** plugin and click **Install**.
3. Configure the following parameters:

The console highlights the most common installation options. For detailed configurable fields, see the YAML reference in this section.

Parameter	Description
Scale Configuration	Supports three configurations: Small Scale, Medium Scale, and Large Scale: - Default values are set based on the recommended load test values of the platform - You can choose or customize quotas based on the actual cluster scale - Default values will be updated with platform versions; for fixed configurations, custom settings are recommended
Storage Type	- LocalVolume: Local storage with data stored on specified nodes - StorageClass: Automatically generates persistent volumes using a storage class - PV: Utilizes existing persistent volumes Note: Storage configuration cannot be modified after installation
Replica Count	Sets the number of monitoring component pods Note: Prometheus supports only single-node installation
Advanced Configuration	Collapsible section for plugin-level scheduling parameters.
Node Selectors	Displayed in Advanced Configuration . Configure plugin-level node selector rules for the Prometheus plugin workloads.
Node Tolerations	Displayed in Advanced Configuration . Configure plugin-level toleration rules for the Prometheus plugin workloads.

Parameter	Description
Parameter Configuration	Data parameters for the monitoring component can be adjusted as needed

4. Click **Install** to complete the installation.

Install with YAML

Check available versions

Ensure the plugin has been published by checking for ModulePlugin and ModuleConfig resources in the `global` cluster:

```
# kubectl get moduleplugin | grep prometheus
prometheus                               30h
# kubectl get moduleconfig | grep prometheus
prometheus-v4.1.0                       30h
```

This indicates that the ModulePlugin `prometheus` exists in the cluster and version `v4.1.0` is published.

Create a ModuleInfo

Create a ModuleInfo resource to install the plugin without any configuration parameters:



```
kind: ModuleInfo
apiVersion: cluster.alauda.io/v1alpha1
metadata:
  name: global-prometheus
  labels:
    cpaas.io/cluster-name: global
    cpaas.io/module-name: prometheus
    cpaas.io/module-type: plugin
spec:
  version: v4.1.0
  config:
    storage:
      type: LocalVolume
      capacity: 40
      nodes:
        - xxx.xxx.xxx.xx
      path: /cpaas/monitoring
      storageClass: ""
      pvSelectorK: ""
      pvSelectorV: ""
    replicas: 1
  components:
    nodeSelector:
      - key: kubernetes.io/os
        value: linux
    tolerations:
      - effect: NoSchedule
        key: node-role.kubernetes.io/infra
        operator: Exists
    prometheus:
      retention: 7
      scrapeInterval: 60
      scrapeTimeout: 45
      resources: null
    nodeExporter:
      port: 9100
      resources: null
    alertmanager:
      resources: null
    kubeStateExporter:
      resources: null
    prometheusAdapter:
      resources: null
  .
```



```

    thanosQuery:
      resources: null
    size: Small

```

Resource settings example (Prometheus):

```

spec:
  config:
    components:
      prometheus:
        resources:
          limits:
            cpu: 2000m
            memory: 2000Mi
          requests:
            cpu: 1000m
            memory: 1000Mi

```

For more details, refer to [Monitor Component Capacity Planning](#).

YAML field reference (Prometheus):

Field path	Description
<code>metadata.labels.cpaas.io/cluster-name</code>	Target cluster name where the plugin is installed.
<code>metadata.labels.cpaas.io/module-name</code>	Must be <code>prometheus</code> .
<code>metadata.labels.cpaas.io/module-type</code>	Must be <code>plugin</code> .
<code>metadata.name</code>	ModuleInfo name (e.g., <code><cluster>-prometheus</code>).
<code>spec.version</code>	Plugin version to install.
<code>spec.config.storage.type</code>	Storage type: <code>LocalVolume</code> , <code>StorageClass</code> , or <code>PV</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.capacity</code>	Storage size for Prometheus (Gi). Minimum 30 Gi recommended.

Field path	Description
<code>spec.config.storage.nodes</code>	Node list when <code>storage.type=LocalVolume</code> . Up to 1 node supported.
<code>spec.config.storage.path</code>	Base LocalVolume path when <code>storage.type=LocalVolume</code> . Default: <code>/cpaas/monitoring</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.storageClass</code>	StorageClass name when <code>storage.type=StorageClass</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.pvSelectorK</code>	PV selector key when <code>storage.type=PV</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.pvSelectorV</code>	PV selector value when <code>storage.type=PV</code> .
<code>spec.config.replicas</code>	Replica count; only applicable to <code>StorageClass</code> / <code>PV</code> types.
<code>spec.config.components.nodeSelector</code>	Optional. Plugin-level node selector rules for the Prometheus plugin workloads.
<code>spec.config.components.tolerations</code>	Optional. Plugin-level toleration rules for the Prometheus plugin workloads.
<code>spec.config.components.prometheus.retention</code>	Data retention days.
<code>spec.config.components.prometheus.scrapeInterval</code>	Scrape interval seconds; applies to ServiceMonitors without <code>interval</code> .
<code>spec.config.components.prometheus.scrapeTimeout</code>	Scrape timeout seconds; must be less than <code>scrapeInterval</code> .
<code>spec.config.components.prometheus.resources</code>	Resource settings for Prometheus.

Field path	Description
<code>spec.config.components.nodeExporter.port</code>	Node Exporter port (default 9100).
<code>spec.config.components.nodeExporter.resources</code>	Resource settings for Node Exporter.
<code>spec.config.components.alertmanager.resources</code>	Resource settings for Alertmanager.
<code>spec.config.components.kubeStateExporter.resources</code>	Resource settings for Kube State Exporter.
<code>spec.config.components.prometheusAdapter.resources</code>	Resource settings for Prometheus Adapter.
<code>spec.config.components.thanosQuery.resources</code>	Resource settings for Thanos Query.
<code>spec.config.size</code>	Monitoring scale: <code>Small</code> , <code>Medium</code> , or <code>Large</code> .

Verify the installation

Since the ModuleInfo name changes upon creation, locate the resource via label to check the plugin status and version:

```
kubectl get moduleinfo -l cpaas.io/module-name=prometheus
```

NAME	CLUSTER	MODULE
DISPLAY_NAME	STATUS	TARGET_VERSION
global-e671599464a5b1717732c5ba36079795	global	promethe
us prometheus	Running	v4.1.0
	v4.1.0	v4.1.0

Field explanations:

- `NAME` : ModuleInfo resource name
- `CLUSTER` : Cluster where the plugin is installed
- `MODULE` : Plugin name

- `DISPLAY_NAME` : Display name of the plugin
- `STATUS` : Installation status; `Running` means successfully installed and running
- `TARGET_VERSION` : Intended installation version
- `CURRENT_VERSION` : Version before installation
- `NEW_VERSION` : Latest available version for installation

Place Prometheus Workloads on Infra Nodes

If you want the Prometheus plugin workloads to run on dedicated infra nodes, configure plugin-level scheduling rules during installation or upgrade instead of patching generated workloads after installation.

- In the console, use **Advanced Configuration** to set **Node Selectors** and **Node Tolerations**.
- In YAML, set `spec.config.components.nodeSelector` and `spec.config.components.tolerations`.

Example:

```
config:
  components:
    nodeSelector:
      - key: kubernetes.io/os
        value: linux
    tolerations:
      - effect: NoSchedule
        key: node-role.kubernetes.io/infra
        operator: Exists
```

Before applying these scheduling rules, make sure your infra node planning and storage placement are compatible. For the planning considerations, see the Monitoring guides in [How To](#), including **Planning Infra Nodes for Monitoring**.

Access the Installed Components

Once installation is complete, the components can be accessed at the following addresses (replace `<>` with actual values):

Component	Access Address
Thanos	<code><platform_access_address>/clusters/<cluster>/prometheus</code>
Prometheus	<code><platform_access_address>/clusters/<cluster>/prometheus-0</code>
Alertmanager	<code><platform_access_address>/clusters/<cluster>/alertmanager</code>

ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics

Prerequisites

- If you install only the VictoriaMetrics agent, ensure that the VictoriaMetrics Center has been installed in another cluster.

Install from the Console

1. Navigate to **App Store Management > Cluster Plugins** and select the target cluster.
2. Locate the **ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics** plugin and click **Install**.
3. Configure the following parameters:

The console highlights the most common installation options. For detailed configurable fields, see the YAML reference in this section.

Parameter	Description
Scale Configuration	Supports three configurations: Small Scale, Medium Scale, and Large Scale: - Default values are set based on the recommended load test values of the platform - You can choose or customize quotas based on the actual cluster scale

Parameter	Description
	- Default values will be updated with platform versions; for fixed configurations, custom settings are recommended
Install Agent Only	- Off: Install the complete VictoriaMetrics component suite - On: Install only the VMAgent collection component, which relies on the VictoriaMetrics Center
VictoriaMetrics Center	Select the cluster where the complete VictoriaMetrics component has been installed
Storage Type	- LocalVolume: Local storage with data stored on specified nodes - StorageClass: Automatically generates persistent volumes using a storage class - PV: Utilizes existing persistent volumes
Storage Path	Displayed when Storage Type is <code>LocalVolume</code> . Specify the base storage path for monitoring data. Default: <code>/cpaas/monitoring</code> .
Replica Count	Displayed when Storage Type is <code>StorageClass</code> or <code>PV</code> . Sets the number of monitoring component pods. When Storage Type is <code>LocalVolume</code> , the number of selected nodes determines the number of VMStorage replicas.
Advanced Configuration	Collapsible section for plugin-level scheduling parameters.
Node Selectors	Displayed in Advanced Configuration . Configure plugin-level node selector rules for the VictoriaMetrics plugin workloads.
Node Tolerations	Displayed in Advanced Configuration . Configure plugin-level toleration rules for the VictoriaMetrics plugin workloads.
Parameter Configuration	Data parameters for the monitoring component can be adjusted Note: Data may temporarily exceed the retention period before being deleted

4. Click **Install** to complete the installation.

Install with YAML

Check available versions

Ensure the plugin has been published by checking for ModulePlugin and ModuleConfig resources in the `global` cluster:

```
# kubectl get moduleplugin | grep victoriametrics
victoriametrics                 30h
# kubectl get moduleconfig | grep victoriametrics
victoriametrics-v4.1.0         30h
```

This indicates that the ModulePlugin `victoriametrics` exists in the cluster and version `v4.1.0` is published.

Create a ModuleInfo

Create a ModuleInfo resource to install the plugin without any configuration parameters:




```

kind: ModuleInfo
apiVersion: cluster.alauda.io/v1alpha1
metadata:
  name: business-1-victoriametrics
  labels:
    cpaas.io/cluster-name: business-1
    cpaas.io/module-name: victoriametrics
    cpaas.io/module-type: plugin
spec:
  version: v4.1.0
  config:
    storage:
      type: LocalVolume
      capacity: 40
      nodes:
        - xxx.xxx.xxx.xx
      path: /cpaas/monitoring
      storageClass: ""
      pvSelectorK: ""
      pvSelectorV: ""
    replicas: 1
    agentOnly: false
    agentReplicas: 1
    crossClusterDependency:
      victoriametrics: ""
    components:
      nodeSelector:
        - key: kubernetes.io/os
          value: linux
      tolerations:
        - effect: NoSchedule
          key: node-role.kubernetes.io/infra
          operator: Exists
      nodeExporter:
        port: 9100
        resources: null
      vmstorage:
        retention: 7
        resources: null
      kubeStateExporter:
        resources: null
      vmalert:
        resources: null

```

```

prometheusAdapter:
  resources: null
vmagent:
  scrapeInterval: 60
  scrapeTimeout: 45
  resources: null
vminsert:
  resources: null
alertmanager:
  resources: null
vmselect:
  resources: null
size: Small

```

Resource settings example (vmagent):

```

spec:
  config:
    components:
      vmagent:
        resources:
          limits:
            cpu: 2000m
            memory: 2000Mi
          requests:
            cpu: 1000m
            memory: 1000Mi

```

For more details, refer to [Monitor Component Capacity Planning](#).

YAML field reference (VictoriaMetrics):

Field path	Description
<code>metadata.labels.cpaas.io/cluster-name</code>	Target cluster name where the plugin is installed.
<code>metadata.labels.cpaas.io/module-name</code>	Must be <code>victoriametrics</code> .
<code>metadata.labels.cpaas.io/module-type</code>	Must be <code>plugin</code> .

Field path	Description
<code>metadata.name</code>	ModuleInfo name (e.g., <code><cluster>-victoriametrics</code>).
<code>spec.version</code>	Plugin version to install.
<code>spec.config.storage.type</code>	Storage type: <code>LocalVolume</code> , <code>StorageClass</code> , or <code>PV</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.capacity</code>	Storage size for VictoriaMetrics (Gi). Minimum 30 Gi recommended.
<code>spec.config.storage.nodes</code>	Node list when <code>storage.type=LocalVolume</code> . You can select one or more nodes.
<code>spec.config.storage.path</code>	Base <code>LocalVolume</code> path when <code>storage.type=LocalVolume</code> . Default: <code>/cpaas/monitoring</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.storageClass</code>	<code>StorageClass</code> name when <code>storage.type=StorageClass</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.pvSelectorK</code>	PV selector key when <code>storage.type=PV</code> .
<code>spec.config.storage.pvSelectorV</code>	PV selector value when <code>storage.type=PV</code> .
<code>spec.config.replicas</code>	Replica count; applicable to <code>StorageClass</code> and <code>PV</code> types.
<code>spec.config.agentOnly</code>	Whether to install only vmagent instead of the full VictoriaMetrics component set.
<code>spec.config.agentReplicas</code>	Replica count for vmagent when agent-only mode is enabled.

Field path	Description
<code>spec.config.crossClusterDependency.victoriametrics</code>	Target cluster that provides the VictoriaMetrics Center when agent-only mode is enabled.
<code>spec.config.components.nodeSelector</code>	Optional. Plugin-level node selector rules for the VictoriaMetrics plugin workloads.
<code>spec.config.components.tolerations</code>	Optional. Plugin-level toleration rules for the VictoriaMetrics plugin workloads.
<code>spec.config.components.vmstorage.retention</code>	Data retention days for vmstorage.
<code>spec.config.components.vmagent.scrapeInterval</code>	Scrape interval seconds; applies to ServiceMonitors without <code>interval</code> .
<code>spec.config.components.vmagent.scrapeTimeout</code>	Scrape timeout seconds; must be less than <code>scrapeInterval</code> .
<code>spec.config.components.vmstorage.resources</code>	Resource settings for vmstorage.
<code>spec.config.components.vmalert.resources</code>	Resource settings for vmalert.
<code>spec.config.components.nodeExporter.port</code>	Node Exporter port (default 9100).
<code>spec.config.components.nodeExporter.resources</code>	Resource settings for Node Exporter.
<code>spec.config.components.alertmanager.resources</code>	Resource settings for Alertmanager.
<code>spec.config.components.kubeStateExporter.resources</code>	Resource settings for Kube State Exporter.
<code>spec.config.components.prometheusAdapter.resources</code>	Resource settings for Prometheus Adapter (used for

Field path	Description
	HPA/custom metrics).
<code>spec.config.components.vmagent.resources</code>	Resource settings for vmagent.
<code>spec.config.components.vminsert.resources</code>	Resource settings for vminsert.
<code>spec.config.components.vmselect.resources</code>	Resource settings for vmselect.
<code>spec.config.size</code>	Monitoring scale: <code>Small</code> , <code>Medium</code> , or <code>Large</code> .

Verify the installation

Since the ModuleInfo name changes upon creation, locate the resource via label to check the plugin status and version:

```
kubectl get moduleinfo -l cpaas.io/module-name=victoriametrics
NAME                                CLUSTER    MODULE
DISPLAY_NAME    STATUS    TARGET_VERSION    CURRENT_VERSION    NEW_VERSION
global-e671599464a5b1717732c5ba36079795    global    victoria
metrics    victoriametrics    Running    v4.1.0    v4.1.0    v4.1.0
```

Field explanations:

- `NAME` : ModuleInfo resource name
- `CLUSTER` : Cluster where the plugin is installed
- `MODULE` : Plugin name
- `DISPLAY_NAME` : Display name of the plugin
- `STATUS` : Installation status; `Running` means successfully installed and running
- `TARGET_VERSION` : Intended installation version
- `CURRENT_VERSION` : Version before installation
- `NEW_VERSION` : Latest available version for installation

Place VictoriaMetrics Workloads on Infra Nodes

If you want the VictoriaMetrics plugin workloads to run on dedicated infra nodes, configure plugin-level scheduling rules during installation or upgrade instead of patching generated workloads after installation.

- In the console, use **Advanced Configuration** to set **Node Selectors** and **Node Tolerations**.
- In YAML, set `spec.config.components.nodeSelector` and `spec.config.components.tolerations`.

Example:

```
config:
  components:
    nodeSelector:
      - key: kubernetes.io/os
        value: linux
    tolerations:
      - effect: NoSchedule
        key: node-role.kubernetes.io/infra
        operator: Exists
```

Before applying these scheduling rules, make sure your infra node planning and storage placement are compatible. For the planning considerations, see the Monitoring guides in [How To](#), including **Planning Infra Nodes for Monitoring**.

Access the Installed Components

Once installation is complete, the components can be accessed at the following address (replace `<>` with actual values):

Component	Access Address
VictoriaMetrics UI	<code><platform_access_address>/clusters/<cluster>/vmselect-ui/vmui/?#/metrics</code>

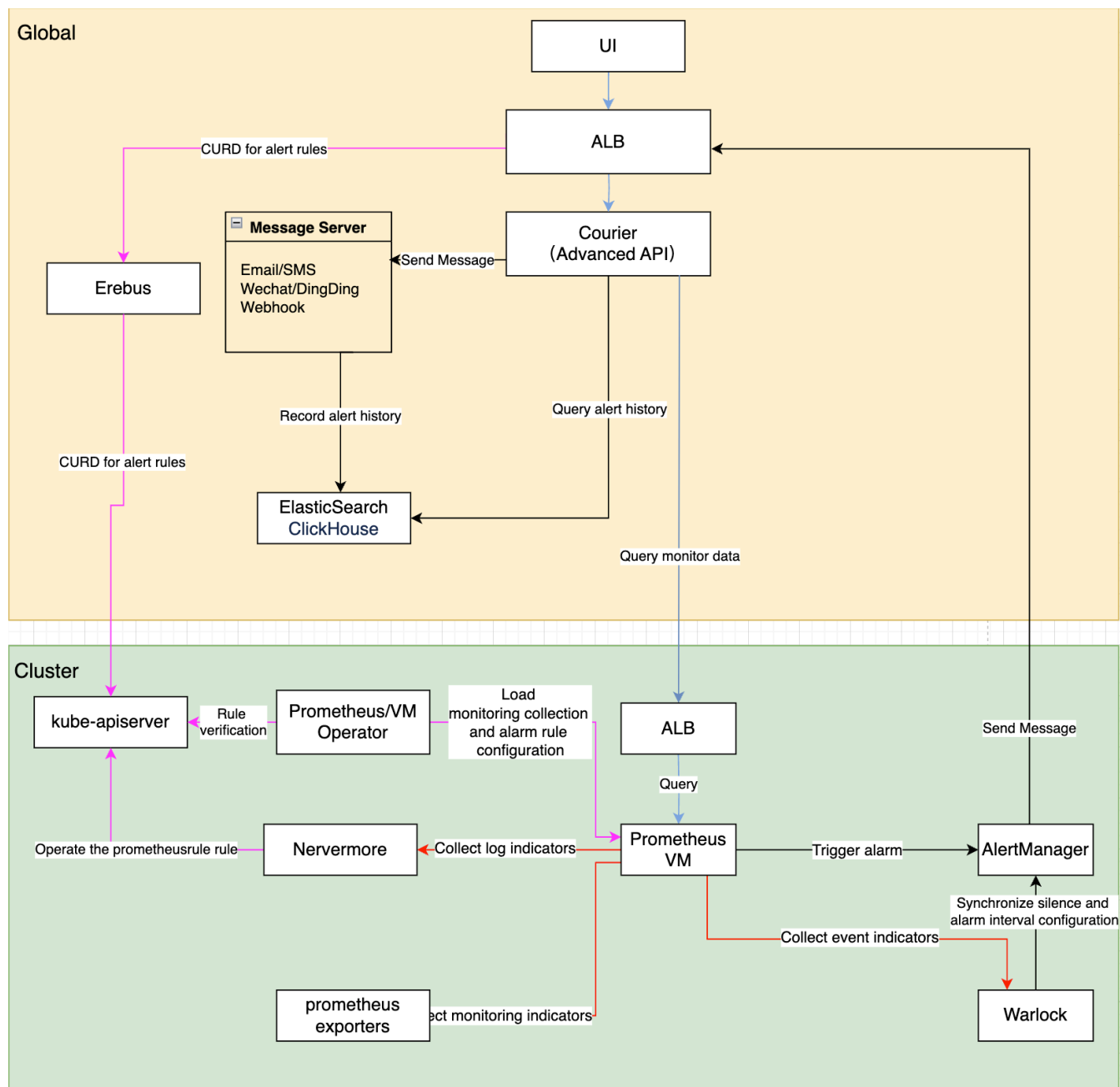
INFO

If **Install Agent Only** is enabled, the cluster does not deploy the `vmselect` component locally, so the VictoriaMetrics UI address is unavailable in that cluster.

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Overall Architecture Explanation

The monitoring system consists of the following core functional modules:

1. Monitoring System

- **Data Collection and Storage:** Collecting and persisting monitoring metrics from multiple sources
- **Data Query and Visualization:** Providing flexible query and visualization capabilities for monitoring data

2. Alerting System

- **Alert Rule Management:** Configuring and managing alert policies
- **Alert Triggering and Notification:** Evaluating alert rules and dispatching notifications
- **Real-time Alert Status:** Providing a real-time view of the current alert status of the system

3. Notification System

- **Notification Configuration:** Managing notification templates, contact groups, and policies
 - **Notification Server:** Managing the configuration of various notification channels
-

Monitoring System

Data Collection and Storage

1. Prometheus/VictoriaMetrics Operator Responsibilities:

- Load and validate monitoring collection configurations
- Load and validate alert rule configurations
- Synchronize configurations to Prometheus/VictoriaMetrics instances

2. Sources of Monitoring Data:

- Nevermore: Generates log-related metrics
- Warlock: Generates event-related metrics
- Prometheus/VictoriaMetrics: Discovers and collects various exporters' metrics via ServiceMonitor

Data Query and Visualization

1. Monitoring Data Query Process:

- The browser initiates a query request (Path: `/platform/monitoring.alauda.io/v1beta1`)
- ALB forwards the request to the Courier component
- Courier API processes the query:
 - Built-in Metrics: Obtains PromQL through the indicators interface and queries
 - Custom Metrics: Directly forwards PromQL to the monitoring component
- The monitoring dashboard retrieves data and displays it

2. Monitoring Dashboard Management Process:

- Users access the `global` cluster ALB (Path: `/kubernetes/cluster_name/apis/ait.alauda.io/v1alpha2/MonitorDashboard`)
- ALB forwards the request to the Erebus component

- Erebus routes the request to the target monitoring cluster
- The Warlock component is responsible for:
 - Validating the legality of the monitoring dashboard configuration
 - Managing the MonitorDashboard CR resource

3. Perses Dashboard Query Process:

- Users open **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)** in the console.
- The console sends dashboard requests to the Perses server deployed in the `global` cluster by **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses**.
- The Perses server uses the fixed `acp-observe` data source to query metrics through `observe-api`.
- `observe-api`, deployed by **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard Essentials** in the `global` cluster, checks the user's cluster, namespace, and project permissions before forwarding queries to the platform metric storage. The selected workload cluster is the metric query target, but it does not run a local Perses server or `observe-api`.
- The platform metric storage, such as VictoriaMetrics or Prometheus, returns query results to the dashboard.

```
User -> Console Perses dashboard -> Perses server -> observe-api  
-> Platform metric storage -> Dashboard
```

Perses dashboards introduce `observe-api`, Perses server, and perses-operator into the query and rendering path. Perses server and `observe-api` run only in the `global` cluster. Workload clusters install the Perses operator as needed to provide PersesDashboard CRDs and store their own dashboard resources. The existing MonitorDashboard capability remains available and continues to use the existing MonitorDashboard management path.

Alerting System

Alert Rule Management

The alert rule configuration process:

1. Users access the `global` cluster ALB (Path: `/kubernetes/cluster_name/apis/monitoring.coreos.com/v1/prometheusrules`)
2. The request passes through ALB -> Erebus -> target cluster kube-apiserver
3. Responsibilities of each component:
 - Prometheus/VictoriaMetrics Operator:
 - Validating the legality of alert rules
 - Managing PrometheusRule CR
 - Nevermore: Listening for and processing log alert metrics
 - Warlock: Listening for and processing event alert metrics

Alert Processing Workflow

1. Alert Evaluation:
 - PrometheusRule/VMRule defines alert rules
 - Prometheus/VictoriaMetrics evaluates rules periodically
2. Alert Notification:
 - Alerts are sent to Alertmanager once triggered
 - Alertmanager -> ALB -> Courier API
 - Courier API is responsible for dispatching notifications
3. Alert Storage:
 - Alert history is stored in Elasticsearch/ClickHouse

Real-time Alert Status

1. Status Collection:
 - The `global` cluster Courier generates metrics:
 - `cpaas_active_alerts`: Current active alerts

- `cpaas_active_silences`: Current silence configurations
- Global Prometheus collects every 15 seconds

2. Status Display:

- The front-end queries and displays real-time status via Courier API

Notification System

Notification Configuration Management

The management process for notification templates, notification contact groups, and notification policies is as follows:

1. Users access the standard API of the `global` cluster via a browser

- Access path: `/apis/ait.alauda.io/v1beta1/namespaces/cpaas-system`

2. Managing related resources:

- Notification Template: `apiVersion: "ait.alauda.io/v1beta1", kind: "NotificationTemplate"`
- Notification Contact Group: `apiVersion: "ait.alauda.io/v1beta1", kind: "NotificationGroup"`
- Notification Policy: `apiVersion: "ait.alauda.io/v1beta1", kind: "Notification"`

3. Courier is responsible for:

- Validating the legality of notification templates
- Validating the legality of notification contact groups
- Validating the legality of notification policies

Notification Server Management

1. Users access the `global` cluster's ALB via a browser

- Access path: `/kubernetes/global/api/v1/namespaces/cpaas-system/secrets`

2. Managing and submitting notification server configurations

- Resource name: platform-email-server

3. Courier is responsible for:

- Validating the legality of the notification server configuration

Monitoring Component Selection Guide

When installing cluster monitoring, the platform provides two monitoring components for you to choose from: VictoriaMetrics and Prometheus. This article will detail the characteristics and applicable scenarios of these two components, helping you make the most suitable choice.

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Important Notes

- Only one of VictoriaMetrics or Prometheus can be selected when installing cluster monitoring components.
- Starting from version 3.18, VictoriaMetrics has been upgraded to Beta status, which meets production environment usage conditions.
- VictoriaMetrics is suitable for scenarios with high availability requirements and multi-cluster monitoring.
- Prometheus is suitable for single-cluster monitoring scenarios, especially for smaller scales.

Component List

Prometheus Related Components

Component Name	Function Description
Prometheus Server	Core server responsible for collecting, storing, and querying monitoring data
Exporters	Monitoring data collection components that expose monitoring metrics via HTTP interfaces
AlertManager	Alert management center, handling alert rules and notifications
PushGateway	Supports push mode for monitoring data, used for data transfer in special network environments

VictoriaMetrics Related Components

Component Name	Function Description
VMStorage	Monitoring data storage engine

Component Name	Function Description
VMInsert	Data writing component responsible for data distribution and storage
VMSelect	Query service component providing data querying capabilities
VMAAlert	Alert rule evaluation and handling component
VMAgent	Monitoring metric collection component

Architecture Comparison

Prometheus Architecture

Prometheus is a mature open-source monitoring system and is the second graduated project of CNCF after Kubernetes. It has the following characteristics:

- Powerful data collection capabilities.
- Flexible query language PromQL.
- A comprehensive ecosystem.
- Supports cluster monitoring at a thousand-node scale.

VictoriaMetrics Architecture

VictoriaMetrics is a next-generation high-performance time series database and monitoring solution with the following advantages:

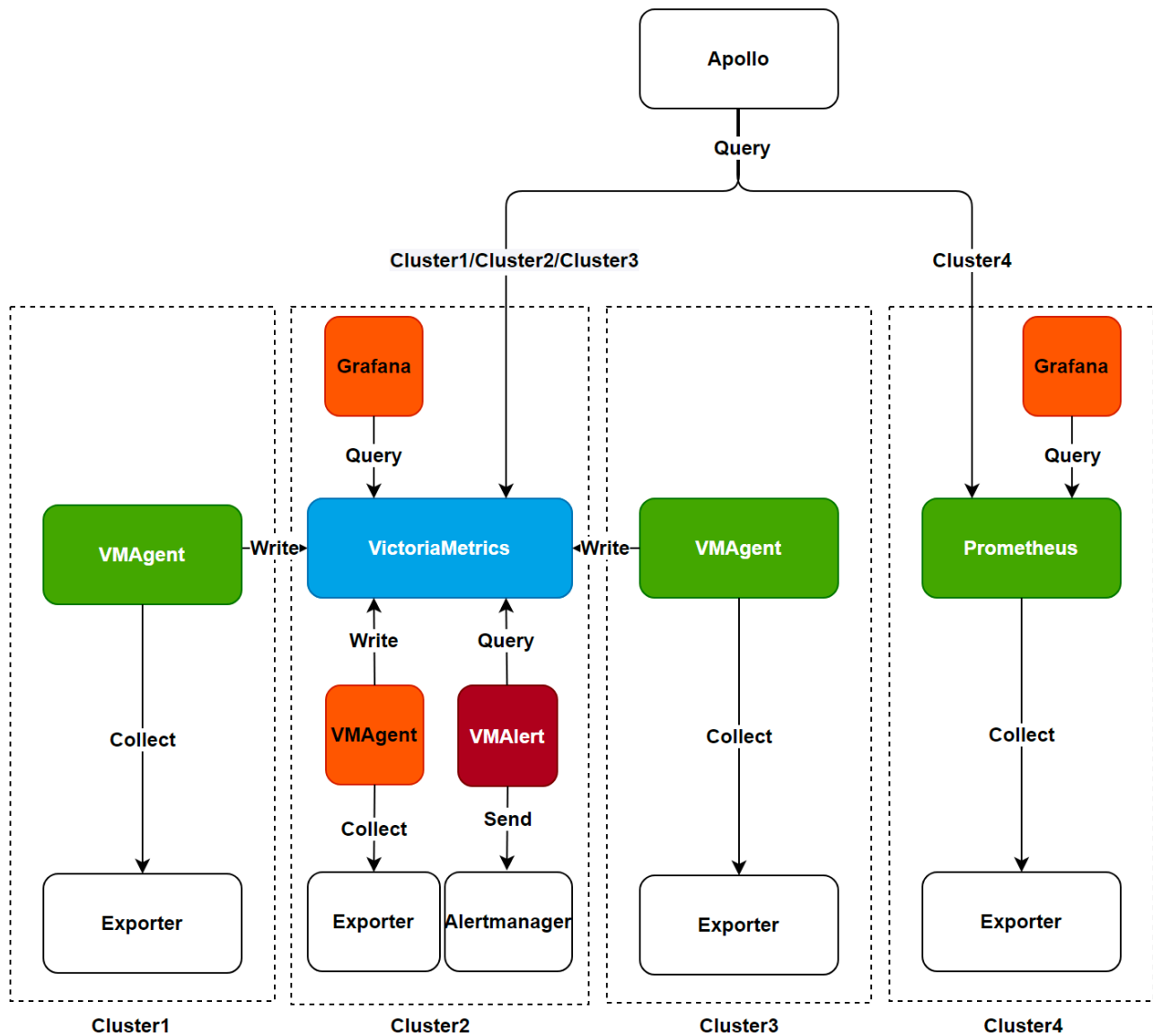
- Higher data compression ratio.
- Lower resource consumption.
- Native support for cluster high availability.
- Simpler operation and maintenance management.

Feature Comparison

Feature	Prometheus	VictoriaMetrics	Description
High Availability Installation	✗	✓	VictoriaMetrics supports true cluster high availability with better data consistency
Single Node Installation	✓	✓	Both support single-node installation mode
Long-term Data Storage	Requires remote storage	Natively supported	VictoriaMetrics is more suitable for long-term data storage
Resource Efficiency	Higher	Better	VictoriaMetrics has better resource utilization
Community Support	Very mature	Rapidly developing	Prometheus has a larger community ecosystem

Installation Scheme Suggestions

Monitoring Installation Architecture Overview



The above diagram shows the installation architecture and data flow of the monitoring components supported by the platform. The platform provides the following two installation methods for selection:

Note: When replacing monitoring components, please ensure that existing components are completely uninstalled, and monitoring data does not support cross-component migration.

Prometheus Installation Method

This method corresponds to the architecture of **cluster4** in the above diagram:

- Uses Prometheus components to collect and process monitoring data.
- Queries and displays data through the monitoring panel.
- Suitable for single-cluster scenarios.

VictoriaMetrics Installation Method

VictoriaMetrics supports the following two installation modes:

1. Single Cluster Installation Mode

- Corresponds to the architecture of **cluster2** in the above diagram.
- All VictoriaMetrics components are installed in the same cluster.
- Uses VMAgent to collect data and write to VictoriaMetrics.
- VMAAlert is responsible for alert rule evaluation.
- Queries and displays data through the monitoring panel. **Tip:** It is recommended to use this mode when data scale is below 1 million per second.

2. Multi-Cluster Installation Mode

- Corresponds to the architecture of **cluster1/cluster2/cluster3** in the above diagram.
- Installs VMAgent in the workload cluster as a data collection agent.
- VMAgent writes data into VictoriaMetrics in the central monitoring cluster.
- Supports unified monitoring management across multiple clusters. **Tip:** Ensure that VictoriaMetrics services are installed in the monitoring cluster before installing VMAgent.

Selection Recommendations

Scenarios Suitable for Using VictoriaMetrics

- **High Performance and Scalability Needs:** Suitable for monitoring scenarios that handle high-throughput data and long-term storage.
- **Cost-Effectiveness Considerations:** Need to optimize storage and computing resource costs.
- **High Availability Requirements:** Requires high availability assurance for monitoring components.
- **Multi-Cluster Management:** Requires unified management of monitoring data across multiple clusters.

Scenarios Suitable for Using Prometheus

- **Single Cluster with Small Scale:** Monitoring scale is small, with no high availability requirements.
- **Existing Prometheus Users:** Already have a complete Prometheus monitoring system.
- **Simple Stability Requirements:** Pursuing a simple and reliable monitoring solution.
- **Deep Ecosystem Integration:** Closely integrated with the Prometheus ecosystem, with high migration costs.

Monitor Component Capacity Planning

The monitor component is responsible for storing metrics data collected from one or more clusters in the platform. Therefore, you need to assess your monitor scale in advance and plan the resources needed for the monitor component according to the guidelines in this document.

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Assumptions and Methodology

- Data in this document comes from controlled lab performance reports and is intended as a sizing baseline for production planning.

- Retention for disk examples is 7 days; adjust proportionally for other retention targets.
- Storage baseline matches the warning above (SSD, ~6000 IOPS, ~250MB/s read/write, independent mount).
- Test workloads exercised typical monitoring pages such as "acp ns overview page" and "platform region detail page".

Prometheus

Below are sizing recommendations by scale for Prometheus and related components (Thanos Query, Thanos Sidecar, etc.).

Small Scale — 10 worker nodes, 500 double-container Pods

- Metric ingestion rate: ~2800 samples/second

Component	Container	Replicas	CPU Limit	Memory Limit	Disk
courier-api	courier	2	2C	4Gi	-
kube-prometheus-thanos-query	thanos-query	1	1C	1Gi	-
prometheus-kube-prometheus-0	prometheus	1	2C	8Gi	20Gi

Medium Scale — 50 worker nodes, 2000 double-container Pods

- Metric ingestion rate: ~7294 samples/second

Component	Container	Replicas	CPU Limit	Memory Limit	Disk Space
courier-api	courier	2	4C	4Gi	-
kube-prometheus-thanos-query	thanos-query	1	2.5C	8Gi	-
prometheus-kube-prometheus-0	prometheus	1	4C	8Gi	4Gi

Large Scale — 500 worker nodes, 10000 double-container Pods

- Metric ingestion rate: ~41575 samples/second

Component	Container	Replicas	CPU Limit	Memory Limit	Disk Space
courier-api	courier	2	6C	4Gi	-
kube-prometheus-thanos-query	thanos-query	1	2C	6Gi	-
prometheus-kube-prometheus-0	prometheus	1	8C	20Gi	10Gi

VictoriaMetrics

Below are sizing recommendations by scale for VictoriaMetrics components.

Small Scale — 10 worker nodes, 500 double-container Pods

- Metric ingestion rate: ~3274 samples/second

Component	Container	Replicas	CPU Limit	Memory Limit	Data
courier-api	courier	1	2C	4Gi	-
vmselect-cluster	proxy	1	1C	200Mi	-
vmselect	vmselect	1	500m	1Gi	-
vmstorage-cluster	vmstorage	1	500m	2Gi	30

Medium Scale — 50 worker nodes, 2000 double-container Pods

- Metric ingestion rate: ~6940 samples/second

Component	Container	Replicas	CPU Limit	Memory Limit	Data
courier-api	courier	2	4C	4Gi	-
vmselect-cluster	proxy	1	1C	200Mi	-
vmselect	vmselect	1	2C	2Gi	-
vmstorage-cluster	vmstorage	1	2C	2Gi	10

Large Scale — 500 worker nodes, 10000 double-container Pods

- Metric ingestion rate: ~34300 samples/second

Component	Container	Replicas	CPU Limit	Memory Limit	Data
courier-api	courier	2	6C	4Gi	-
vmselect-cluster	proxy	1	2C	200Mi	-
vmselect	vmselect	1	5C	3Gi	-
vmstorage-cluster	vmstorage	1	2C	6Gi	30

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Metrics

Metrics are used to quantitatively describe the operating status of a system, and each metric consists of four basic elements:

- Metric Name: Used to identify the monitored object, such as `cpu_usage`
- Metric Value: Specific measurement value, such as `85.5`
- Timestamp: Records the time of measurement
- Labels: Used for multidimensional data classification, such as `{pod="nginx-1", namespace="default"}`

PromQL

PromQL is the query language for Prometheus, used to query and aggregate metric data from the monitoring system.

Built-in Indicators

The platform has preset a series of commonly used monitoring metrics based on long-term operational experience. You can directly use these metrics when configuring alarm rules or creating monitoring dashboards without additional configuration.

Exporter

The Exporter is a component for collecting monitoring data, with primary responsibilities including:

- Collecting raw monitoring data from the target system
- Transforming data into a standard time-series metric format
- Providing metric data for querying via HTTP interface

ServiceMonitor

ServiceMonitor is used to declaratively manage monitoring configurations and primarily defines:

- The selection criteria for monitoring targets
- Configuration of metric collection interfaces
- Execution parameters for collection tasks (intervals, timeouts, etc.)

Alarms

Alarm Rules

Alarm rules define the specific conditions for triggering alarms:

- Alarm Expression: Describes the conditions for triggering an alarm using PromQL statements
- Alarm Threshold: Explicit boundary values for trigger
- Duration: Duration for which the conditions must be continuously met
- Alarm Level: Distinguishes the severity of alarms (e.g., P0/P1/P2)

Alarm Policies

Alarm policies organize multiple alarm rules together for unified configuration:

- Alarm Targets: The target scope of the rules

- Notification Method: The channels for sending alarms
- Sending Interval: The time interval for repeated alarm notifications

Notifications

Notification Policies

Notification policies manage the rules for sending alarm messages:

- Recipients: Target users for alarm notifications
- Notification Channels: Supported message sending methods
- Notification Templates: Definition of message content format

Notification Templates

Notification templates customize the display format of alarm messages:

- Title Template: Format of the alarm message title
- Content Template: Organization of alarm details
- Variable Replacement: Supports dynamic data filling

Monitoring Dashboard

Dashboard

A dashboard is a collection of multiple related panels, providing an overall view of the system status. It supports flexible layout arrangements and can organize panels in rows or columns.

Panels

Panels are visual representations of monitoring data, supporting various display types.

Data Sources

The configuration of monitoring data sources. Currently, only the monitoring components of the current cluster are supported as data sources, and custom data sources are not supported for now.

Variables

Variables serve as placeholders for values and can be used in metric queries. Through the variable selector at the top of the dashboard, you can dynamically adjust query conditions, allowing chart content to update in real-time.

Perses Monitoring Dashboard

PersesDashboard

PersesDashboard is a monitoring dashboard resource introduced in Alauda Container Platform 4.4. It is based on the open source Perses rendering engine and is used by **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)**.

PersesDashboard coexists with the existing MonitorDashboard resource. MonitorDashboard uses the existing Grafana-style dashboard model, while PersesDashboard uses the Perses model. Existing MonitorDashboard resources can be migrated to PersesDashboard resources when you want to render them in the Perses dashboard entry.

Panel

A panel is a single visualization unit in a Perses dashboard, such as a time series chart, bar chart, gauge chart, or table.

Panel Group

A panel group organizes panels within a dashboard. Panel groups can be used to structure dashboards and collapse or expand related panels.

Variable

A variable is a dashboard parameter used to dynamically filter panel queries. Perses dashboards support list variables and text variables.

Data Source

The metric data source for Perses dashboards is fixed to the platform metric data source and is transparent to users. You do not need to select a data source when viewing or editing a Perses dashboard.

Folder and Tag

Folders and tags are used to organize and search Perses dashboards.

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Viewing Metrics Exposed by Platform Components

The monitoring method for the cluster components within the platform is to extract metrics exposed via `ServiceMonitor`. Metrics in the platform are publicly available through the `/metrics` endpoint. You can view the exposed metrics of a specific component in the platform using the following example command:

```
curl -s http://<Component IP>:<Component metrics port>/metrics | grep 'TYPE\|HELP'
```

Sample Output:

```
# HELP controller_runtime_active_workers Number of currently used workers
per controller
# TYPE controller_runtime_active_workers gauge
# HELP controller_runtime_max_concurrent_reconciles Maximum number of con
current reconciles per controller
# TYPE controller_runtime_max_concurrent_reconciles gauge
# HELP controller_runtime_reconcile_errors_total Total number of reconcil
iation errors per controller
# TYPE controller_runtime_reconcile_errors_total counter
# HELP controller_runtime_reconcile_time_seconds Length of time per recon
ciliation per controller
```

Viewing All Metrics Stored by Prometheus / VictoriaMetrics

You can view the list of available metrics in the cluster to help you write the PromQL you need based on these metrics.

Prerequisites

1. You have obtained your user Token
2. You have obtained the platform address

Procedures

Run the following command to get the list of metrics using the `curl` command:

```
curl -k -X 'GET' -H 'Authorization: Bearer <Your token>' 'https://<Your platform access address>/v2/metrics/<Your cluster name>/prometheus/label/___name___/values'
```

Sample Output:

```
{
  "status": "success",
  "data": [
    "ALERTS",
    "ALERTS_FOR_STATE",
    "advanced_search_cached_resources_count",
    "alb_error",
    "alertmanager_alerts",
    "alertmanager_alerts_invalid_total",
    "alertmanager_alerts_received_total",
    "alertmanager_cluster_enabled"]
}
```

Viewing All Built-in Metrics Defined by the Platform

To simplify user usage, the platform has built in a large number of commonly used metrics. You can directly use these metrics when configuring alerts or monitoring dashboards without needing to define them yourself. The following will introduce you to how to view these metrics.

Prerequisites

1. You have obtained your user Token
2. You have obtained the platform address

Procedures

Run the following command to get the list of metrics using the `curl` command:

```
curl -k -X 'GET' -H 'Authorization: Bearer <Your token>' 'https://<Your platform access address>/v2/metrics/<Your cluster name>/indicators'
```

Sample Output:


```
[
  {
    "alertEnabled": true, ❶
    "annotations": {
      "cn": "CPU utilization of containers in the compute component",
      "descriptionEN": "Cpu utilization for pods in workload",
      "descriptionZH": "CPU utilization of containers in the compute component",
      "displayNameEN": "CPU utilization of the pods",
      "displayNameZH": "CPU utilization of containers in the compute component",
      "en": "Cpu utilization for pods in workload",
      "features": "SupportDashboard", ❷
      "summaryEN": "CPU usage rate {{.externalLabels.comparison}}{{.externalLabels.threshold}} of Pod ({{.labels.pod}})",
      "summaryZH": "CPU usage rate {{.externalLabels.comparison}}{{.externalLabels.threshold}} of pod ({{.labels.pod}})"
    },
    "displayName": "CPU utilization of containers in the compute component",
    "kind": "workload",
    "multipleEnabled": true, ❸
    "name": "workload.pod.cpu.utilization",
    "query": "avg by (kind,name,namespace,pod) (avg by (kind,name,namespace,pod,container)(cpaas_advanced_container_cpu_usage_seconds_totalirate5m{kind=~\"{{.kind}}\",name=~\"{{.name}}\",namespace=~\"{{.namespace}}\",container!=\"\",container!=\"POD\"})) / avg by (kind,name,namespace,pod,container)(cpaas_advanced_kube_pod_container_resource_limits{kind=~\"{{.kind}}\",name=~\"{{.name}}\",namespace=~\"{{.namespace}}\",resource=\"cpu\"}))", ❹
    "summary": "CPU usage rate {{.externalLabels.comparison}}{{.externalLabels.threshold}} of pod ({{.labels.pod}})",
    "type": "metric",
    "unit": "%",
    "legend": "{{.namespace}}/{{.pod}}",
    "variables": [ ❺
      "namespace",
      "name",
      "kind"
    ]
  }
]
```

- 1 Whether this metric supports being used for configuring alerts
- 2 Whether this metric supports being used in monitoring dashboards
- 3 Whether this metric supports being used when configuring alerts for multiple resources
- 4 The PromQL statement defined for the metric
- 5 The variables that can be used in the PromQL statement of the metric

Integrating External Metrics

In addition to the built-in metrics of the platform, you can also integrate metrics exposed by your applications or third-party applications via `ServiceMonitor` or `PodMonitor`. This section uses the Elasticsearch Exporter installed in pod form in the same cluster as an example for explanation.

Prerequisites

You have installed your application and exposed metrics through specified interfaces. In this document, we assume your application is installed in the `cpaas-system` namespace and has exposed the `http://<elasticsearch-exporter-ip>:9200/_prometheus/metrics` endpoint.

Procedures

1. Create a Service/Endpoint for the Exporter to expose metrics

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  labels:
    chart: elasticsearch
    service_name: cpaas-elasticsearch
  name: cpaas-elasticsearch
  namespace: cpaas-system
spec:
  clusterIP: 10.105.125.99
  ports:
    - name: cpaas-elasticsearch
      port: 9200
      protocol: TCP
      targetPort: 9200
  selector:
    service_name: cpaas-elasticsearch
  sessionAffinity: None
  type: ClusterIP
```

2. Create a `ServiceMonitor` object to describe the metrics exposed by your application:

```

apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: ServiceMonitor
metadata:
  labels:
    app: cpaas-monitor
    chart: cpaas-monitor
    heritage: Helm
    prometheus: kube-prometheus ❶
    release: cpaas-monitor
  name: cpaas-elasticsearch-Exporter
  namespace: cpaas-system ❷
spec:
  jobLabel: service_name ❸
  namespaceSelector: ❹
    any: true
  selector: ❺
    matchExpressions:
      - key: service_name
        operator: Exists
  endpoints:
    - port: cpaas-elasticsearch ❻
      path: /_prometheus/metrics ❼
      interval: 60s ❽
      honorLabels: true
      basicAuth: ❾
        password:
          key: ES_PASSWORD
          name: acp-config-secret
        username:
          key: ES_USER
          name: acp-config-secret

```

❶ To which Prometheus should the ServiceMonitor be synchronized; the operator will listen to the corresponding ServiceMonitor resource based on the serviceMonitorSelector configuration of the Prometheus CR. If the ServiceMonitor's labels do not match the serviceMonitorSelector configuration of the Prometheus CR, this ServiceMonitor will not be monitored by the operator.

❷ The operator will listen to which namespaces of ServiceMonitor based on the serviceMonitorNamespaceSelector configuration of the Prometheus CR; if the

ServiceMonitor is not in the serviceMonitorNamespaceSelector of the Prometheus CR, this ServiceMonitor will not be monitored by the operator.

- ③ Metrics collected by Prometheus will add a job label, with the value being the service label value corresponding to jobLabel.
- ④ The ServiceMonitor matches the corresponding Service based on the namespaceSelector configuration.
- ⑤ The ServiceMonitor matches the Service based on the selector configuration.
- ⑥ The ServiceMonitor matches the Service's port based on port configuration.
- ⑦ The access path to the Exporter, default is /metrics.
- ⑧ The interval at which Prometheus scrapes the Exporter metrics.
- ⑨ If authentication is required to access the Exporter path, authentication information needs to be added; it also supports bearer token, tls authentication, and other methods.

3. Check if the ServiceMonitor is being monitored by Prometheus

Access the UI of the monitoring component to check if the job `cpaas-elasticsearch-exporter` exists.

- Prometheus UI address: `https://<Your platform access address>/clusters/<Cluster name>/prometheus-0/targets`
- VictoriaMetrics UI address: `https://<Your platform access address>/clusters/<Cluster name>/vmselect-ui/vmui/?#/metrics`

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Function Overview

The alert management function of the platform aims to help users comprehensively monitor and promptly detect system anomalies. By utilizing pre-installed system alerts and flexible custom alert capabilities, combined with standardized alert templates and a tiered management mechanism, it provides a complete alert solution for operation and maintenance personnel.

Whether it's platform administrators or business personnel, they can conveniently configure and manage alert policies within their respective permission scopes for effective monitoring of platform resources.

Key Features

- **Built-in System Alert Policies:** Rich alert rules are preset based on common fault diagnosis ideas for `global` clusters and workload clusters.
 - **Custom Alert Rules:** Supports the creation of alert rules based on various data sources, including preset monitoring indicators, custom monitoring indicators, black-box monitoring items, platform log data, and platform event data.
 - **Alert Template Management:** Supports the creation and management of standardized alert templates for quick application to similar resources.
 - **Alert Notification Integration:** Supports the push of alert information to operation and maintenance personnel through various channels.
 - **Alert View Isolation:** Distinguishes between platform management alerts and business alerts, ensuring that personnel in different roles focus on their respective alert information.
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- **Real-time Alert Viewing:** Provides real-time alerts, offering concentrated displays of the number of resources currently experiencing alerts and detailed alert information.
- **Alert History Viewing:** Supports the viewing of historical alert records over a period, facilitating the analysis of recent monitoring alert conditions by operation and maintenance personnel and administrators.

Functional Advantages

- **Comprehensive Monitoring Coverage:** Supports monitoring of various resource types such as clusters, nodes, and computing components, and comes with rich built-in system alert policies that can be used without additional configuration.
- **Efficient Alert Management:** Standardized configurations through alert templates enhance operational efficiency, and the separation of alert views makes it easier for personnel in different roles to quickly locate relevant alerts.
- **Timely Problem Detection:** alert notifications are automatically triggered to ensure timely problem detection, supporting multi-channel alert pushing for proactive problem avoidance.
- **Robust Permission Management:** Strict access control for alert policies ensures that alert information is secure and manageable.

Creating Alert Policies via UI

Prerequisites

- A notification policy is configured (if you need to configure automatic alert notifications).
- Monitoring components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using monitoring indicators).
- Log storage components and log collection components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using logs and events).

Procedures

1. Navigate to **Operation and Maintenance Center > alerts > alert Policies**.

2. Click **Create Alert Policy**.
3. Configure basic information.

Selecting Alert Type

Resource Alert

- Alert types categorized by resource type (e.g., deployment status under a namespace).
- Resource selection description:
 - Defaults to "Any" if no parameter is selected, supporting automatic association with newly added resources.
 - When "Select All" is chosen, it only applies to the current resource.
 - When multiple namespaces are selected, resource names support regular expressions (e.g., `cert.*`).

Event Alert

- Alert types categorized by specific events (e.g., abnormal Pod status).
- By default, selects all resources under the specified resource and supports automatic association with newly added resources.

Configuring Alert Rules

Click **Add Alert Rule** and configure the following parameters based on the alert type:

Resource Alert Parameters

Parameter	Description
Expression	Monitoring metric algorithm in Prometheus format, e.g., <code>rate(node_network_receive_bytes{instance="\$server",device!~"lo"}[5m])</code>
Metric Unit	Custom monitoring metric unit, can be entered manually or selected from platform preset units

Parameter	Description
Legend Parameter	Controls the name corresponding to the curve in the chart, formatted as <code>{{.LabelName}}</code> , e.g., <code>{{.hostname}}</code>
Time Range	Time window for log/event queries
Log Content	Query fields for log content (e.g., Error), where multiple query fields are linked by OR
Event Reason	Query fields for event reasons (Reason, e.g., BackOff, Pulling, Failed, etc.), where multiple query fields are linked by OR
Trigger Condition	Condition consisting of comparison operators, alert thresholds, and duration (optional). Determines if an alert is triggered based on the comparison of real-time values/log count/event count against the alert threshold, as well as the duration of real-time values within the alert threshold range.
alert Level	Divided into four levels: Critical, Serious, Warning, and Info. You can set a reasonable alert level according to the impact of the alert rules on business for the corresponding resources.

Event Alert Parameters

Parameter	Description
Time Range	Time window for event queries
Event Monitoring Item	Supports monitoring event levels or event reasons, where multiple fields are linked by OR
Trigger Condition	Based on event count for comparison judgement
alert Level	Same definition as resource alert levels

Other Configurations

1. Select one or more created notification policies.
2. Configure alert sending intervals.

- Global: Use platform default configuration.
- Custom: Different sending intervals can be set based on alert levels.
- When "Do Not Repeat" is selected, notifications will only be sent when the alert is triggered and recovered.

Additional Notes

1. In the "More" options of the alert rule, labels and annotations can be set.
2. Please refer to the [Prometheus Alerting Rules Documentation](#) ↗ for configuring labels and annotations.
3. Note: Do not use the `$value` variable in labels, as this may cause alert exceptions.

Creating Resource Alerts via CLI

Prerequisites

- A notification policy is configured (if you need to configure automatic alert notifications).
- Monitoring components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using monitoring indicators).
- Log storage components and log collection components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using logs and events).

Procedures

1. Create a new YAML configuration file named `example-alerting-rule.yaml`.
2. Add PrometheusRule resources to the YAML file and submit it. The following example creates a new alert policy called policy:


```

apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: PrometheusRule
metadata:
  annotations:
    alert.cpaas.io/cluster: global # The name of the cluster where the
alert is located
    alert.cpaas.io/kind: Cluster # The type of resource,
    alert.cpaas.io/name: global # The resource object, supporting singl
e, multiple (separated by |), or any (.*)
    alert.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system # The namespace where the al
ert object is located, supporting single, multiple (separated by |), or
any (.*)
    alert.cpaas.io/notifications: '["test"]'
    alert.cpaas.io/repeat-config: '{"Critical":"never","High":"5m","Med
ium":"5m","Low":"5m"}'
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.description: '{}'
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.disabled: '[]'
    alert.cpaas.io/subkind: ''
    cpaas.io/description: ''
    cpaas.io/display-name: policy # The display name of the alert polic
y
  labels:
    alert.cpaas.io/owner: System
    alert.cpaas.io/project: cpaas-system
    cpaas.io/source: Platform
    prometheus: kube-prometheus
    rule.cpaas.io/cluster: global
    rule.cpaas.io/name: policy
    rule.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system
  name: policy
  namespace: cpaas-system
spec:
  groups:
    - name: general # alert rule name
      rules:
        - alert: cluster.pod.status.phase.not.running-tx10b-e998f0b9485
4ee1eade5ae79279e005a
          annotations:
            alert_current_value: '{{ $value }}' # Notification of the c
urrent value, keep as default
            expr: (count(min by(pod)(kube_pod_container_status_ready{}}) !
=1) or on() vector(0))>2
            for: 30s # Duration
            - - -

```

```

labels:
  alert_cluster: global # The name of the cluster where the a
lert is located
  alert_for: 30s # Duration
  alert_indicator: cluster.pod.status.phase.not.running # The
name of the alert rule indicator (custom alert indicator name as custo
m)
  alert_indicator_aggregate_range: '30' # The aggregation tim
e for the alert rule, in seconds
  alert_indicator_blackbox_name: '' # Black-box monitoring it
em name
  alert_indicator_comparison: '>' # The comparison method for
the alert rule
  alert_indicator_query: '' # Query for the logs of the alert
rule (only for log alerts)
  alert_indicator_threshold: '2' # The threshold for the aler
t rule
  alert_indicator_unit: '' # The indicator unit for the alert
rule
  alert_involved_object_kind: Cluster # The type of the objec
t to which the alert rule belongs: Cluster|Node|Deployment|Daemonset|St
atefulset|Middleware|Microservice|Storage|VirtualMachine
  alert_involved_object_name: global # The name of the object
to which the alert rule belongs
  alert_involved_object_namespace: '' # The namespace of the
object to which the alert rule belongs
  alert_name: cluster.pod.status.phase.not.running-tx1ob # Th
e name of the alert rule
  alert_namespace: cpaas-system # The namespace where the ale
rt rule is located
  alert_project: cpaas-system # The project name of the objec
t to which the alert rule belongs
  alert_resource: policy # The name of the alert policy where
the alert rule is located
  alert_source: Platform # The data type of the alert policy
where the alert rule is located: Platform-Platform Data Business-Busine
ss Data
  severity: High # The severity level of the alert rule: Crit
ical-Critical, High-Serious, Medium-Warning, Low-Info

```

Creating Event Alerts via CLI

Prerequisites

- A notification policy is configured (if you need to configure automatic alert notifications).
- Monitoring components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using monitoring indicators).
- Log storage components and log collection components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using logs and events).

Procedures

1. Create a new YAML configuration file named `example-alerting-rule.yaml`.
2. Add PrometheusRule resources to the YAML file and submit it. The following example creates a new alert policy called policy2:


```

apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: PrometheusRule
metadata:
  annotations:
    alert.cpaas.io/cluster: global
    alert.cpaas.io/events.scope:
      '[{"names":["argocd-gitops-redis-ha-haproxy"],"kind":"Deployment", "operator":"=", "namespaces":["*"]}]'
      # names: The resource name for the event alert; operator is ineffective if name is empty.
      # kind: The type of resource that triggers the event alert.
      # namespace: The namespace where the resource that triggers the event alert belongs. An empty array indicates a non-namespaced resource; when ns is ['*'], it indicates all namespaces.
      # operator: Selector =, !=, =~, !~
    alert.cpaas.io/kind: Event # The type of alert, Event (event alert)
    alert.cpaas.io/name: '' # Used for resource alerts; remains empty for event alerts
    alert.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system
    alert.cpaas.io/notifications: '["acp-qwtest"]'
    alert.cpaas.io/repeat-config: '{"Critical":"never","High":"5m","Medium":"5m","Low":"5m"}'
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.description: '{}'
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.disabled: '[]'
    cpaas.io/description: ''
    cpaas.io/display-name: policy2
  labels:
    alert.cpaas.io/owner: System
    alert.cpaas.io/project: cpaas-system
    cpaas.io/source: Platform
    prometheus: kube-prometheus
    rule.cpaas.io/cluster: global
    rule.cpaas.io/name: policy2
    rule.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system
  name: policy2
  namespace: cpaas-system
spec:
  groups:
    - name: general
      rules:
        - alert: cluster.event.count-6sial-34c9a378e3b6dda8401c2d728994ce2f
          # 6sial-34c9a378e3b6dda8401c2d728994ce2f can be customized to

```

ensure uniqueness

annotations:

alert_current_value: '{{ \$value }}' # Notification of the current value, keep as default

expr: round(((avg
by(kind,namespace,name,reason)(increase(cpaas_event_count{namespace=~".*",id="policy2-cluster.event.count-6sial"}[300s])))
+ (avg
by(kind,namespace,name,reason)(abs(increase(cpaas_event_count{namespace=~".*",id="policy2-cluster.event.count-6sial"}[300s])))))
/ 2)>2

The id in the policy2 needs to be the name of the alert policy; 6sial must match the preceding alert rule name

for: 15s # Duration

labels:

alert_cluster: global # The name of the cluster where the alert is located

alert_for: 15s # Duration

alert_indicator: cluster.event.count # The name of the alert rule indicator (custom alert indicator name as custom)

alert_indicator_aggregate_range: '300' # The aggregation time for the alert rule, in seconds

alert_indicator_blackbox_name: ''

alert_indicator_comparison: '>' # The comparison method for the alert rule

alert_indicator_event_reason: ScalingReplicaSet # Event reason.

alert_indicator_threshold: '2' # The threshold for the alert rule

alert_indicator_unit: pieces # The indicator unit for the alert rule; remains unchanged for event alerts

alert_involved_object_kind: Event

alert_involved_object_options: Single

alert_name: cluster.event.count-6sial # The name of the alert rule

alert_namespace: cpaas-system # The namespace where the alert rule is located

alert_project: cpaas-system # The project name of the object to which the alert rule belongs

alert_repeat_interval: 5m

alert_resource: policy2 # The name of the alert policy where the alert rule is located

alert_source: Platform # The data type of the alert policy where the alert rule is located: Platform-Platform Data Business-Busine

ss Data

severity: High # The severity level of the alert rule: Critical-Critical, High-Serious, Medium-Warning, Low-Info

Creating Alert Policies via alert Templates

alert templates are a combination of alert rules and notification policies targeted at similar resources. Through alert templates, it is easy and quick to create alert policies for clusters, nodes, or computing components on the platform.

Prerequisites

- A notification policy is configured (if you need to configure automatic alert notifications).
- Monitoring components are installed in the target cluster (required when creating alert policies using monitoring indicators).

Procedures

Creating Alert Template

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operation and Maintenance Center > alerts > alert Templates**.
2. Click **Create alert Template**.
3. Configure the basic information of the alert template.
4. In the **alert Rules** section, click **Add alert Rule**, and follow the parameter descriptions below to add alert rules:

Parameter	Description
Expression	Monitoring metric algorithm in Prometheus format, e.g., <code>rate(node_network_receive_bytes{instance="\$server", device!~"lo"}[5m])</code>
Metric Unit	Custom monitoring metric unit, can be entered manually or selected from platform preset units

Parameter	Description
Legend Parameter	Controls the name corresponding to the curve in the chart, formatted as <code>{{.LabelName}}</code> , e.g., <code>{{.hostname}}</code>
Time Range	Time window for log/event queries
Log Content	Query fields for log content (e.g., Error), where multiple query fields are linked by OR
Event Reason	Query fields for event reasons (Reason, e.g., BackOff, Pulling, Failed, etc.), where multiple query fields are linked by OR
Trigger Condition	Condition consisting of comparison operators, alert thresholds, and duration (optional).
alert Level	Divided into four levels: Critical, Serious, Warning, and Info. You can set a reasonable alert level according to the impact of the alert rules on business for the corresponding resources.

5. Click **Create**.

Creating Alert Policies Using alert Templates

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operation and Maintenance Center > alerts > alert Policies**. **Tip:** You can switch the target cluster through the top navigation bar.
2. Click the expand button next to the **Create alert Policy** button > **Template Create alert Policy**.
3. Configure some parameters, referring to the descriptions below:

Parameter	Description
Template Name	The name of the alert template to use. The templates are categorized by cluster, node, and computing component. Upon selecting a template, you can view the alert rules, notification policies, and other information set within the alert template.
Resource Type	Select whether the template is an alert policy template for Cluster , Node , or Computing Component ; the corresponding resource name will be displayed.

4. Click **Create**.

Setting Silence for Alerts

Supports silencing alerts for clusters, nodes, and computing components. By setting silence for specific alert policies, you can control that all rules under the alert policy do not send notification messages when triggered during the set silence period. Permanent silence and custom time silence can be set.

For example: When the platform is upgraded or maintained, many resources may show abnormal statuses, leading to numerous triggered alerts, which cause operation and maintenance personnel to frequently receive alert notifications before the upgrade or maintenance is completed. Setting silence for the alert policy can prevent this situation.

Note: When the silence status persists until the silence end time, the silence setting will be automatically cleared.

Setting via UI

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operation and Maintenance Center > alerts > alert Policies**.
2. Click the operation button on the right side of the alert policy to be silenced > **Set Silence**.
3. Toggle **alert Silence** switch to open it.

Tip: This switch controls whether the silence setting takes effect. To cancel silence, simply turn off the switch.

4. Configure relevant parameters according to the descriptions below:

Tip: If no silence range or resource name is selected, it defaults to **Any**, meaning that subsequent **Delete/Add** resource actions will correspond to **Delete Silence/Add Silence** alert policies; if "Select All" is chosen, it will only apply to the currently selected resource range, and subsequent **Delete/Add** resource actions will not be processed.

Parameter	Description
Silence Range	The scope of resources where the silence setting takes effect.

Parameter	Description
Resource Name	The name of the resource object targeted by the silence setting.
Silence Time	The time range for alert silence. The alert will enter silence state at the start of the silence time, and if the alert policy remains in an alert state or triggers alerts after the silence end time, alert notifications will resume. Permanent: The silence setting will last until the alert policy is deleted. Custom: Custom settings for the start time and end time of silence, with the time interval not less than 5 minutes.

5. Click **Set**.

Tip: From the moment silence is set until the start of silence, the silence status of the alert policy is considered **Silence Waiting**. During this period, when rules in the policy trigger alerts, notifications will be sent normally; after silence starts until it ends, the silence status of the alert policy is **Silencing**, and when rules in the policy trigger alerts, notifications will not be sent.

Setting via CLI

1. Specify the resource name of the alert policy you want to set silence for and execute the following command:

```
kubectl edit PrometheusRule <TheNameOfThealertPolicyYouWantToSet>
```

2. Modify the resource as shown in the example to add silence annotations and submit.

```
---
```

```
apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
```

```
kind: PrometheusRule
```

```
metadata:
```

```
  annotations:
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/cluster: global
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/kind: Node
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/name: 0.0.0.0
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/notifications: '[]'
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.description: '{}'
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.disabled: '[]'
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.version: '23'
```

```
    alert.cpaas.io/silence.config:
```

```
      '{"startsAt":"2025-02-08T08:01:37Z","endsAt":"2025-02-22T08:01:37Z",
"creator":"leizhu@alauda.io","resources":{"nodes":[{"name":"192.168.36.11",
"ip":"192.168.36.11"}, {"name":"192.168.36.12", "ip":"192.168.36.12"}, {"name":"192.168.36.13",
"ip":"192.168.36.13"}]}}'
```

The silence configuration for node-level alert policies, including start time, end time, creator, etc.; if the silence range includes specific nodes, please append the resources.node information as shown above. If you need silence for all resources, you do not need the resources field.

```
    # alert.cpaas.io/silence.config: '{"startsAt":"2025-02-08T08:04:50Z",
"endsAt":"2199-12-31T00:00:00Z","creator":"leizhu@alauda.io","name":["alb-operator-ctl",
"apollo"],"namespace":["cpaas-system"]}'
```

The silence configuration for workload-level alert policies, including start time, end time, creator, etc.; if the silence range includes specific workloads, please append name and namespace information as shown above. If you need silence for all resources, you do not need the name and namespace fields.

Setting the endsAt field to 2199-12-31T00:00:00Z indicates permanent silence.

```
    alert.cpaas.io/subkind: ''
```

```
    cpaas.io/creator: leizhu@alauda.io
```

```
    cpaas.io/description: ''
```

```
    cpaas.io/display-name: policy3
```

```
    cpaas.io/updated-at: 2025-02-08T08:01:42Z
```

```
labels:
```

```
## Exclude irrelevant information
```

Recommendations for Configuring Alert Rules

More alert rules do not always equate to better outcomes. Redundant or complex alert rules can lead to alert storms and increase your maintenance burden. It is recommended that you read the following guidelines before configuring alert rules to ensure that custom rules can achieve their intended purposes while remaining efficient.

- **Use the Fewest New Rules Possible:** Create only those rules that meet your specific requirements. By using the fewest number of rules, you can create a more manageable and centralized alert system in the monitoring environment.
- **Focus on Symptoms Rather than Causes:** Create rules that notify users of symptoms rather than the root causes of those symptoms. This ensures that when relevant symptoms occur, users can receive alerts and may investigate the root causes that triggered the alerts. Using this strategy can significantly reduce the total number of rules you need to create.
- **Plan and Assess Your Needs Before Making Changes:** First, clarify which symptoms are important and what actions you want users to take when these symptoms occur. Then evaluate existing rules to decide if you can modify them to achieve your objectives without creating new rules for each symptom. By modifying existing rules and carefully creating new ones, you can help simplify the alert system.
- **Provide Clear Alert Messages:** When you create alert messages, include descriptions of symptoms, possible causes, and recommended actions. The information included should be clear, concise, and provide troubleshooting procedures or links to additional relevant information. Doing so helps users quickly assess situations and respond appropriately.
- **Set Severity Levels Reasonably:** Assign severity levels to your rules to indicate how users should respond when symptoms trigger alerts. For instance, classify alerts with a severity level of Critical, signaling that immediate action is required from relevant personnel. By establishing severity levels, you can help users decide how to respond upon receiving alerts and ensure prompt responses to urgent issues.

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With notifications, you can integrate the platform's monitoring and alerting features to promptly send pre-warning information to notification recipients, reminding relevant personnel to take necessary measures to resolve issues or avoid failures.

Key Features

- **Notification Server:** The notification server provides services for sending notification messages to receiver groups on the platform, such as an email server.
- **Receiver Group:** A receiver group is a set of notification recipients with similar logical characteristics, which can reduce your maintenance burden by allowing a categorization of entities that receive notification messages.
- **Notification Template:** A notification template is a standardized structure composed of custom content, content variables, and content format parameters. It is used to standardize the content and format of alert notification messages for notification rules. For example, customizing the subject and content of email notifications.
- **Notification Rule:** A notification rule is a collection of rules defining how to send notification messages to specific contacts. It is essential to use a notification rule for scenarios such as alerts, inspections, and login authentication that require notifying external services.

Notification Server

The notification server provides services for sending notification messages to recipients on the platform. The platform currently supports the following notification servers:

- **Corporate Communication Tool Server:** Supports integration with WeChat Work, DingTalk, and Feishu built-in applications for sending notifications to individuals.
- **Email Server:** Sends notifications via email using an email server.
- **Webhook Type Server:** Supports integration with corporate WeChat group bots, DingTalk group bots, Feishu group bots, or sending WebHooks to your designated server.

WARNING

Only one corporate communication tool server can be added.

Corporate Communication Tool Server

WeChat Work

1. Configure the notification server parameters as per the example below. Once parameters are filled in, switch to the `global` cluster in **Cluster Management > Resource Management** and create the resource object.

```
# WeChat Work corpId, corpSecret, agentId acquisition methods can be referenced in the official documentation: https://developer.work.weixin.qq.com/document/path/90665
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
type: NotificationServer
metadata:
  labels:
    cpaas.io/notification.server.type: CorpWeChat
    cpaas.io/notification.server.category: Corp
  name: platform-corp-wechat-server
  namespace: cpaas-system
data:
  displayNameZh: 企业微信 # Server's Chinese display name, encoded in base64 by default
  displayNameEn: WeChat # Server's English display name, encoded in base64 by default
  corpId: # Corporate ID, encoded in base64 by default
  corpSecret: # Application secret, encoded in base64 by default
  agentId: # Corporate application ID, encoded in base64 by default
```

2. After the creation, you need to update the user's **WeChat Work ID** in the platform's **User Role Management > User Management** or in the user's **Personal Information** to ensure the user can receive messages normally.

DingTalk

1. Configure the notification server parameters as per the example below. Once parameters are filled in, switch to the `global` cluster in **Cluster Management > Resource Management** and create the resource object.

```
# DingTalk appKey, appSecret, agentId acquisition method: https://open-dev.dingtalk.com/fe/app#/corp/app
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
type: NotificationServer
metadata:
  labels:
    cpaas.io/notification.server.type: CorpDingTalk
    cpaas.io/notification.server.category: Corp
  name: platform-corp-dingtalk-server
  namespace: cpaas-system
data:
  displayNameZh: 钉钉 # Server's Chinese display name, encoded in base64 by default
  displayNameEn: DingTalk # Server's English display name, encoded in base64 by default
  appKey: # Application key, encoded in base64 by default
  appSecret: # Application secret, encoded in base64 by default
  agentId: # Application agent_id, encoded in base64 by default
```

2. After the creation, you need to update the user's **DingTalk ID** in the platform's **User Role Management > User Management** or in the user's **Personal Information** to ensure the user can receive messages normally.

Feishu

1. Configure the notification server parameters as per the example below. Once parameters are filled in, switch to the `global` cluster in **Cluster Management > Resource Management** and create the resource object.

```
# Feishu appId, appSecret acquisition methods: https://open.feishu.cn/app/
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
type: NotificationServer
metadata:
  labels:
    cpaas.io/notification.server.type: CorpFeishu
    cpaas.io/notification.server.category: Corp
  name: platform-corp-feishu-server
  namespace: cpaas-system
data:
  displayNameZh: 飞书 # Server's Chinese display name, encoded in base64
  by default
  displayNameEn: Feishu # Server's English display name, encoded in base64
  by default
  appId: # Application ID, encoded in base64 by default
  appSecret: # Application secret, encoded in base64 by default
```

2. After the creation, you need to update the user's **Feishu ID** in the platform's **User Role Management > User Management** or in the user's **Personal Information** to ensure the user can receive messages normally.

Email Server

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Platform Settings > Notification Server**.
2. Click **Configure Now**.
3. Refer to the following instructions to configure the relevant parameters.

Parameter	Description
Service Address	The address of the notification server supporting the SMTP protocol, e.g., <code>smtp.yeah.net</code> .
Port	The port number for the notification server. When Use SSL is checked, the SSL port number must be entered.

Parameter	Description
Server Configuration	Use SSL: Secure Socket Layer (SSL) is a standard security technology. The SSL switch is used to control whether to establish an encrypted link between the server and client. Skip Insecure Verification: The insecureSkipVerify switch is used to control whether to verify the client certificate and server hostname. If enabled, certificates and the consistency between the hostname in the certificate and the server hostname will not be verified.
Sender Email	The sender's email account in the notification server, used for sending notification emails.
Enable Authentication	If authentication is required, please configure the username and authorization code for the email server.

4. Click **OK**.

Webhook Type Server

Supports integration with corporate WeChat group bots, DingTalk group bots, Feishu group bots, or sending HTTP requests to your designated Webhook server.

Corporate WeChat Group Bot

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Cluster Management > Cluster**.
2. Click the operation button next to the `global` cluster > **CLI Tool**.
3. Execute the following command on the master node of the `global` cluster:

```
kubectl patch secret -n cpaas-system platform-wechat-server -p '{"data":{"enable":"dHJ1ZQo="}}'
```

Tip: `dHJ1ZQo=` is the base64 encoded value of true; to disable, replace `dHJ1ZQo=` with `ZmFsc2UK`, which is the base64 encoded value of false.

DingTalk Group Bot

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Cluster Management > Cluster**.
2. Click the operation button next to the `global` cluster > **CLI Tool**.
3. Execute the following command on the master node of the `global` cluster:

```
kubectl patch secret -n cpaas-system platform-dingtalk-server -p '{"data":{"enable":"dHJ1ZQo="}}'
```

Tip: `dHJ1ZQo=` is the base64 encoded value of true; to disable, replace `dHJ1ZQo=` with `ZmFsc2UK`, which is the base64 encoded value of false.

Feishu Group Bot

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Cluster Management > Cluster**.
2. Click the operation button next to the `global` cluster > **CLI Tool**.
3. Execute the following command on the master node of the `global` cluster:

```
kubectl patch secret -n cpaas-system platform-feishu-server -p '{"data":{"enable":"dHJ1ZQo="}}'
```

Tip: `dHJ1ZQo=` is the base64 encoded value of true; to disable, replace `dHJ1ZQo=` with `ZmFsc2UK`, which is the base64 encoded value of false.

Webhook Server

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Cluster Management > Cluster**.
2. Click the operation button next to the `global` cluster > **CLI Tool**.
3. Execute the following command on the master node of the `global` cluster:

```
kubectl patch secret -n cpaas-system platform-webhook-server -p '{"data":{"enable":"dHJ1ZQo="}}'
```

Tip: `dHJ1ZQo=` is the base64 encoded value of true; to disable, replace `dHJ1ZQo=` with `ZmFsc2UK`, which is the base64 encoded value of false.

Configure Custom Request Headers for Webhook Notifications

If the target Webhook endpoint requires custom HTTP request headers, create a Secret in the `cpaas-system` namespace and associate it with the receiver group later.

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Cluster Management** > **Cluster**.
2. Click the operation button next to the `global` cluster > **CLI Tool**.
3. Create a YAML file similar to the following on the master node of the `global` cluster.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: webhook-header-secret
  namespace: cpaas-system
type: NotificationSender
data:
  X-Secret: <base64-encoded-header-value>
```

4. Save the YAML file as `webhook-header.yaml` and apply the resource.

```
kubectl apply -f webhook-header.yaml
```

INFO

1. Each key under `data` is used as an HTTP header name.
2. Each value under `data` must be base64 encoded before it is applied to the cluster.
3. If the endpoint requires multiple headers, add more key-value pairs under `data`.

Receiver Group

A receiver group is a set of notification recipients with similar logical characteristics. For example, you can set an operations and maintenance team as a receiver group for easy

selection and management when configuring notification rules.

INFO

1. The platform supports various notification servers, and the corresponding configuration options for notification types will be displayed based on the notification server configuration.
2. If you need to use a Webhook type server as a notification recipient, you must configure the relevant URL in the receiver group.
3. If the Webhook endpoint requires custom request headers, you must associate the receiver group with a Secret of type `NotificationSender` in the `cpaas-system` namespace.

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operations Center > Notifications**.
2. Switch to the **Receiver Group** tab.
3. Click **Create Receiver Group** and configure the relevant parameters as per the instructions below.

Parameter	Description
Email	Add an email to the entire receiver group. The platform will send notifications to this email and all contacts' emails in the group.
Webhook URL/WeChat Group Bot/DingTalk Group Bot/Feishu Group Bot	Please fill in the corresponding notification method URL based on the configured notification server. Once configured, contacts in this group will be notified using this method.
Contact Configuration	Click Add Contact to add existing platform users to the receiver group. Ensure the accuracy of the selected contacts' contact information (phone, email, interface callback) to avoid missing message notifications.

4. Click **Add**.

Associate a Receiver Group with a Header Secret

If the configured Webhook endpoint requires custom request headers, associate the receiver group with the Secret created in [Configure Custom Request Headers for Webhook Notifications](#).

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Cluster Management > Cluster**.
2. Click the operation button next to the `global` cluster > **CLI Tool**.
3. Edit the corresponding receiver group (`NotificationGroup`) resource on the master node of the `global` cluster.

```
kubectl edit notificationgroups.ait.alauda.io -n cpaas-system <notification-group-name>
```

4. Add the `cpaas.io/notification.webhook.config` annotation to `metadata.annotations`. Its value must be the name of the Secret created for the custom request headers.

```
apiVersion: ait.alauda.io/v1beta1
kind: NotificationGroup
metadata:
  name: <notification-group-name>
  namespace: cpaas-system
  annotations:
    cpaas.io/notification.webhook.config: webhook-header-secret
```

INFO

The Webhook URL is configured in the receiver group, while custom request headers are configured through the referenced Secret.

Notification Template

A notification template is a standardized structure composed of custom content, content variables, and content format parameters. It is used to standardize the content and format of alert notification messages for notification rules.

Platform administrators or operations personnel can set notification templates to customize the content and format of notification messages based on different alert notification methods, helping users quickly get critical alert information and improve operational efficiency.

Platform administrators can make platform notification templates public. Public templates can be selected in project notification rules, so project administrators can reuse platform-maintained message formats without creating duplicate templates in each project.

INFO

The platform supports various notification servers, and the corresponding notification type templates will be displayed according to the notification server configuration. If no notification server is configured, the corresponding notification templates will not be displayed by default.

Create Templates

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operations Center > Notifications**.
2. Switch to the **Templates** tab.
3. Click **Create Templates**.
4. In the **Basic Information** section, configure the following parameters.

Parameter	Description
Message Type	Select the type of message according to the purpose of the notification. Alert Message: Sends alert messages triggered by alert rules, in conjunction with the platform's alerting functionality; Component Exception Message: Sends notification information triggered by exceptions in certain components.
Public	Make the template available to project notification rules. This option is available for platform notification templates. After the template is made public, project administrators can select it from the platform public template group when creating or updating notification rules. Public templates are marked with a read-only Public label in the template list and show the public

Parameter	Description
	status on the details page. When you make a public template private again, confirm the impact in the dialog box before submitting the change.

5. In the **Template Configuration** section, reference different template types to configure variables and content formatting parameters.

INFO

1. The content of the template can only consist of variables, variable display names, and special formatting markup language supported by the platform. Variables and other elements can be freely combined as long as they comply with the syntax rules.
2. Only variables supported by the platform can be used in the template. You can modify variable display names and content formats, but you cannot modify the variable itself. Refer to [Reference Variables](#), and [Special Formatting Markup Language in Emails](#).
3. The platform provides default notification template content for various notification types based on actual operational scenarios, which can meet most notification message setting needs. If there are no special requirements, you may directly use the default template content.
4. If a platform public template is made private again, it remains visible but disabled in the platform public template group. It cannot be selected for new notification rules, but existing notification rules that already use the template can continue to send notifications.
5. If a platform public template is referenced by any project notification rule, it is protected from deletion. Remove all references before deleting the template.

6. Click **Create**.

Reference Variables

Variables are the keys of labels or annotations in notification messages (NotificationMessage), formatted as `{{.labelKey}}`. To facilitate users in quickly obtaining key information, custom display names can be assigned to variables; for example: `Alert Level: {{.externalLabels.severity}}`.

When a notification rule sends notification messages to users based on a notification template, the variables in the template will reference the corresponding label values in the notification message (actual monitoring data). Ultimately, monitoring data will be sent to users in a standardized content format.

The platform provides the following basic variables by default:

Display Name	Variable	Description
Alert Status	<code>{{ .externalLabels.status }}</code>	For example: Alerting.
Alert Level	<code>{{ .externalLabels.severity }}</code>	For example: Critical.
Alert Cluster	<code>{{ .labels.alert_cluster }}</code>	For example: Cluster 1 where the alert occurred.
Alert Object	<code>{{ .externalLabels.object }}</code>	The type and name of the resource where the alert occurred, e.g., node 192.168.16.53.
rule Name	<code>{{ .labels.alert_resource }}</code>	The name of the alert rule, e.g., cpaas-node-rules.
Alert Description	<code>{{ .externalLabels.summary }}</code>	Description of the alert rule.
Trigger Value	<code>{{ .externalLabels.currentValue }}</code>	The monitored value that triggered the alert.
Alert Time	<code>{{ dateFormatWithZone .startsAt "2006-01-02 15:04:05" "Asia/Chongqing" }}</code>	The start time of the alert.
Recovery Time	<code>{{ dateFormatWithZone .endsAt "2006-01-02 15:04:05" "Asia/Chongqing" }}</code>	The end time of the alert.
Metric Name	<code>{{ .labels.alert_indicator }}</code>	Name of the monitoring metric.

Special Formatting Markup Language in Emails

In email notifications, common HTML format tags and their instructions are referenced in the table below:

Content Element	Tag	Description
Text	-	Supports input of Chinese/English text content.
Font	<code>Set Font Color</code> <code>Bold Font</code>	Set font format.
Title	<code><h1>Level 1 Title</h1></code> , supports up to h6 (header 6).	Set title level.
Paragraph	<code><p>Paragraph</p></code>	Insert regular paragraph text.
Quote	<code><q>Quote</q></code>	Insert short quoted content.
Hyperlink	<code>HyperLink</code>	Insert a hyperlink.

Notification Rule

A notification rule is a collection of rules defining how to send notification messages to specific contacts. It is essential to use notification rules for scenarios requiring notification to external services, such as alerts, inspections, and login authentication.

INFO

The platform supports various notification servers, and the notification modes corresponding to notification types will be displayed based on the notification server configuration. If no notification

server is configured, the corresponding notification modes will not be displayed by default.

Prerequisites

To use the **Corporate Communication Tool Server** to notify contacts, users must first modify their contact information in **Personal Information** by entering their `WeChat Work ID`.

Operation Procedures

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operations Center > Notifications**.
2. Click **Create Rule** and configure the relevant parameters as per the following instructions.

Parameter	Description
Receiver Group	A receiver group is a logical set of notification recipients, which the platform will notify using the specified notification method.
Notification Recipients	Choose to add one or more notification recipients, and the platform will send notifications according to the recipients' Personal Information contact methods.
Notification Method	Supports multiple methods including WeChat Work , DingTalk , Feishu , Corporate WeChat Group Bot , DingTalk Group Bot , Feishu Group Bot , WebHook URL , and supports multiple selections. Note: Some parameters will be displayed after configuring the notification server.
Notification Template	Select the notification template to display notification information. In the project view, templates are grouped by source. You can select a project template or a platform public template.

3. Click **Create**.

Set Notification Rules for Projects

The platform's notification rules, notification templates, and receiver groups are tenant-isolated by default. As a project administrator, you cannot view or use notification rules, private notification templates, or receiver groups configured by other projects or platform administrators. Platform public notification templates are an exception: you can select them when creating or updating notification rules, but you cannot edit or delete them from the project view.

Prerequisites

1. You have contacted the platform administrator to complete the notification server setup.
2. If you need to notify through corporate communication tools, you also need to ensure that the contacts to be notified have correctly configured their communication tool IDs in **Personal Information**.

Operation Procedures

1. In the **Project Management** view, click ***Project Name***.
2. In the left navigation bar, click **Notifications**.
3. Switch to the **Receiver Group** tab, refer to [Receiver Group](#) to create a receiver group.

TIP

If you do not need to manage notification contacts through a receiver group or do not need to notify a webhook type notification server, you can skip this step.

4. Switch to the **Templates** tab, refer to [Notification Template](#) to create a notification template.
If a suitable platform public template is available, you can skip this step and select that template when creating the notification rule.
5. Switch to the **Rules** tab, refer to [Notification Rule](#) to create a notification rule.

Management of Monitoring Dashboards

INFO

Starting from Alauda Container Platform 4.4, [Perses Monitoring Dashboards](#) are available as a new dashboard capability. Perses dashboards and the existing MonitorDashboard capability coexist. You can continue to use this page for MonitorDashboard management, or migrate selected MonitorDashboard resources to PersesDashboard resources.

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Function Overview

The platform provides powerful dashboard management functionality designed to replace traditional Grafana tools, offering users a more comprehensive and flexible monitoring experience. This feature aggregates various monitoring data from within the platform, presenting a unified monitoring view that significantly enhances your configuration efficiency.

Main Features

- Supports configuring custom monitoring dashboards for both business views and platform views.
 - Enables viewing publicly shared dashboards configured in platform views from business views, with data isolated based on the namespace to which the business belongs.
 - Supports managing panels within the dashboard, allowing users to add, delete, modify panels, zoom in/out panels, and move panels through drag-and-drop.
 - Allows setting custom variables within the dashboard for filtering query data.
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- Supports configuring groups within the dashboard for managing the panels. Groups can be displayed repeatedly based on custom variables.
- Supported panel types include: trend、step line chart、bar chart、horizontal bar chart、bar gauge chart、gauge chart、table、stat chart、XY chart、pie chart、text.
- One-click import feature for Grafana dashboards.

Advantages

- Supports user-customized monitoring scenarios without being constrained by predefined templates, truly achieving a personalized monitoring experience.
- Provides a rich array of visualization options, including line charts, bar charts, pie charts, and flexible layout and styling options.
- Integrates seamlessly with the platform's role permissions, allowing business views to define their own monitoring dashboards while ensuring data isolation.
- Deep integration with various functionalities of the container platform, enabling instant access to monitoring data for containers, networks, storage, etc., providing users with comprehensive performance observation and fault diagnosis.
- Fully compatible with Grafana dashboard JSON, allowing easy migration from Grafana for continued use.

Use Cases

- **IT Operations Management:** As part of the IT operations team, you can use the monitoring dashboards to unify the display and management of various performance metrics of the container platform, such as CPU, memory, network traffic, etc. By customizing monitoring reports and alert rules, you can promptly detect and pinpoint system issues, enhancing operational efficiency.
- **Application Performance Analysis:** For application developers and testers, monitoring dashboards offer various rich visualization options to intuitively display application running states and resource consumption. You can customize dedicated monitoring views tailored to different application scenarios to deeply analyze application performance bottlenecks and provide a basis for optimization.
- **Multi-Cluster Management:** For users managing multiple container clusters, monitoring dashboards can aggregate monitoring data from disparate clusters, allowing you to grasp

the overall operational state of the system at a glance.

- **Fault Diagnosis:** When a system issue occurs, monitoring dashboards provide you with comprehensive performance data and analytical tools to quickly pinpoint the root cause of the problem. You can swiftly view fluctuations in relevant monitoring metrics based on alert information for in-depth fault analysis.

Prerequisites

Currently, monitoring dashboards only support viewing monitoring data collected by monitoring components installed in the platform. Therefore, you should prepare as follows before configuring a monitoring dashboard:

- Ensure that the cluster for which you want to configure the monitoring dashboard has monitoring components installed, specifically the **ACP Monitor with Prometheus** or **ACP Monitor with VictoriaMetrics** plugin.
- Ensure that the data you wish to display on the dashboard has been collected by the monitoring components.

Relationship Between Monitoring Dashboards and Monitoring Components

- Monitoring dashboard resources are stored in the Kubernetes cluster. You can switch views between different clusters using the **Cluster** tab at the top.
- Monitoring dashboards depend on the monitoring components in the cluster for querying data sources. Therefore, before using monitoring dashboards, ensure that the current cluster has successfully installed monitoring components and that they are operating normally.
- The monitoring dashboard will default to requesting monitoring data from the corresponding cluster. If you install the **VictoriaMetrics** plugin in proxy mode in the cluster, we will request the storage cluster for you to query the corresponding data for this cluster without the need for special configuration.

Manage Dashboards

A dashboard is a collection composed of one or more panels, organized and arranged in one or more rows to provide a clear view of relevant information. These panels can query raw data from data sources and transform it into a series of visual effects supported by the platform.

Create a Dashboard

1. Click **Create Dashboard**, reference the following instructions to configure relevant parameters.

Parameter	Description
Folder	The folder where the dashboard resides; you can input or select an existing folder.
Label	Label for the monitoring dashboard; you can quickly find existing dashboards by filtering through the top labels during the switch.
Set as Main Dashboard	If enabled, this will set the current dashboard as the main dashboard upon successful creation; when re-entering the monitoring dashboard feature, the main dashboard data will be displayed by default.
Variables	Add variables when creating the dashboard to reference as metric parameters in the added panels, which can also be used as filters on the dashboard homepage.

2. After adding, click **Create** to finish creating the dashboard. Next, you need to **add variables**, **add panels**, and **add groups** to complete the overall layout design.

Import Dashboard

The platform supports direct import of Grafana JSON to convert it into a monitoring dashboard for display.

- Currently, only Grafana JSON of version V8+ is supported; lower versions will be prohibited from being imported.
- If any panels within the imported dashboard are not within the platform's supported scope, they may be displayed as **unsupported panel types**, but you can modify the panel's settings to achieve normal display.

- After importing the dashboard, you can perform any management actions as usual, which will not differ from panels created in the platform.

Add Variables

1. In the variable form area, click **Add**.

Query

Variables of type **Query** allow you to filter data based on the feature dimensions of time series. The query expression can be specified to dynamically calculate and generate query results.

Parameter	Description
Query Settings	When defining query settings, besides using PromQL to query time series, the platform also provides some common variables and functions. Reference Common Functions and Variables .
Regular Expression	By using regular expressions, you can filter out the desired values from the content returned by the variable queries. This makes each option name in the variable more expected. You can preview if the filtered values meet expectations in Variable Value Preview .
Selection Settings	- Multiple Selection: When selected from the top filters on the dashboard homepage, allows the selection of multiple options simultaneously. You need to reference this variable in the query expression of the panels to view the data corresponding to the variable value. - All: If checked, an option containing All will be enabled in the filter options to select all variable data.

Constant

Constant Variables are static variables with fixed values that remain unchanged throughout the dashboard, commonly used for storing environment identifiers, fixed thresholds, or configuration parameters that need to be referenced across multiple panels without displaying as filter options.

Parameter	Description
Constant Value	The value of the constant variable.

Custom

Custom Variables allow users to define a predefined list of static options that appear as dropdown filters on the dashboard, commonly used for manual selection of specific services, teams, or categories without requiring dynamic data queries.

Parameter	Description
Custom Settings	Enter option values separated by commas, using the format <code>display_name : value</code> for each option (e.g., <code>Production : prod</code> , <code>Staging : stage</code> , <code>Development : dev</code>), or simply list values directly if display name equals value.

Textbox

Textbox Variables are variables that allow users to enter text directly, commonly used for specifying specific values or parameters that do not require dynamic data queries.

Parameter	Description
Textbox Value	The default value of the textbox variable.

2. Click **OK** to add one or more variables.

Add Panels

Add multiple panels to the currently created monitoring dashboard to display data information for different resources.

Tip: You can customize the size of a panel by clicking the lower right corner; click anywhere on the panel to rearrange the order of the panels.

1. Click **Add Panel**, reference the following instructions to configure relevant parameters.

- **Panel Preview:** The area will dynamically display the data information corresponding to the added metrics.
 - **Add Metric:** Configure the panel title and monitoring metrics in this area.
 - **Adding Method:** Supports using built-in metrics or using natively customized metrics. Both methods will take the union and be effective simultaneously.
 - **Built-in Metrics:** Select commonly used metrics and legend parameters built into the platform to display the data information under the current panel.
 - **Note:** All metrics added to the panel must have a unified unit; it is not possible to add metrics with multiple units to one panel.
 - **Native:** Customize the metric unit, metric expression, and legend parameters. The metric expression follows PromQL syntax; for details, please refer to [PromQL Official Documentation](#) ↗.
 - **Legend Parameters:** Control the names corresponding to the curves in the panels. Text or templates can be used:
 - **Rule:** The input value must be in the format `{{.xxxx}}`; for example, `{{.hostname}}` will replace it with the value corresponding to the hostname label returned by the expression.
 - **Tip:** If you input an incorrectly formatted legend parameter, the names corresponding to the curves in the panel will be displayed in their original format.
 - **Instant Switch:** When the **Instant** switch is turned on, it will query instant values through Prometheus's Query interface and sort them, as in statistical charts and gauge charts. If off, it will use the `query_range` method to calculate, querying a series of data over a specific time period.
 - **Panel Settings:** Supports selecting different panel types for visualizing metric data. Please refer to [Manage Panels](#).
2. Click **Save** to complete adding the panels.
 3. You can add one or more panels within the dashboard.
 4. After adding the panels, you can use the following operations to ensure the display and size of the panels meet your expectations.
 - Click the lower right corner of the panel to customize its size.

- Click anywhere on the panel to rearrange the order of the panels.
- Click the **Edit** button to modify the panel settings.
- Click the **Delete** button to delete the panel.
- Click the **Copy** button to copy the panel.

5. After adjusting, click the **Save** button on the dashboard page to save your modifications.

Add Groups

Groups are logical dividers within the dashboard that can group panels together.

1. Click the **Add Panel** drop-down menu > **Add Group**, and reference the following instructions to configure relevant parameters.

- **Group**: The name of the group.
- **Repeat**: Supports disabling repeats or selecting variables for the current panels.
 - **Disable Repeat**: Do not select a variable, and use the default created group.
 - **Parameter Variables**: Select the variables created in the current panels, and the monitoring dashboard will generate a row of identical sub-groups for each corresponding value of the variable. Sub-groups do not support modifications, deletions, or moving of the panels.

2. After adding the group, you can perform the following operations on the group to manage the panel display within the dashboard.

- Groups can be collapsed or expanded to hide part of the content in the dashboard. Panels within collapsed groups will not send queries.
- Move the panel into the group to allow that panel to be managed by that group. The group will manage all panels between it and the next group.
- When a group is folded, you can also move all panels managed by that group together.
- The folding and unfolding of groups also constitutes an adjustment to the dashboard. If you want to maintain this state when reopening this dashboard next time, please click the **Save** button.

Switch Dashboards

Set the created custom monitoring dashboard as the main dashboard. When re-entering the monitoring dashboard feature, the main dashboard data will be displayed by default.

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operations Center > Monitoring > Monitoring Dashboards**.
2. By default, the main monitoring dashboard is entered. Click **Switch Dashboard**.
3. You can find dashboards by filtering through labels or searching by name, and switch main dashboards via the **Main Dashboard** switch.

Other Operations

You can click the operation button on the right side of the dashboard page to perform actions on the dashboard as needed.

Operation	Description
YAML	Opens the actual CR resource code of the dashboard stored in the Kubernetes cluster. You can modify all content in the dashboard by editing parameters in the YAML.
Export Expression	You can export the metrics and corresponding query expressions used in the current dashboard in CSV format.
Copy	Copies the current dashboard; you can edit the panels as needed and save it as a new dashboard.
Settings	Modifies the basic information of the current dashboard, such as changing labels and adding more variables.
Delete	Deletes the current monitoring dashboard.

Manage Panels

The platform provides various visualization methods to support different use cases. This chapter will mainly introduce these panel types, configuration options, and usage methods.

Panel Description

No.	Panel Name	Description	Suggested Use Cases
1	Trend Chart	Displays the trend of data over time via one or more line segments.	Shows trends over time, such as changes in CPU utilization, memory usage, etc.
2	Step Line Chart	Builds on the line chart by connecting data points with horizontal and vertical segments to form a step-like structure.	Suitable for displaying the timestamps of discrete events, such as the number of alerts.
3	Bar Chart	Uses vertical rectangular bars to represent the magnitude of data, where the height of the bars represents value.	Bar charts are intuitive for comparing value differences, beneficial for discovering patterns and anomalies, suitable for scenarios focusing on value changes, such as the number of pods, number of nodes, etc.
4	Horizontal Bar Chart	Similar to the bar chart but uses horizontal rectangular bars to represent data.	When there are many data dimensions, horizontal bar charts can better utilize spatial layout and improve readability.
5	Gauge Chart	Uses half or ring shapes to represent the current value of an indicator and its proportion of the total.	Intuitively reflects the current status of key monitoring indicators, such as system CPU utilization and memory usage. It is recommended to use alert thresholds with color changes to indicate abnormal conditions.

No.	Panel Name	Description	Suggested Use Cases
6	Gauge Bar Chart	Uses vertical rectangular bars to display the current value of indicators and their proportion.	Intuitively reflects the current status of key indicators, such as target completion progress and system load. When multiple categories of the same indicator exist, the gauge bar chart is more recommended, such as available disk space or utilization.
7	Pie Chart	Uses sectors to display the proportional relationship of parts to the whole.	Suitable for demonstrating the composition of overall data across different dimensions, such as the proportions of 4XX, 3XX, and 2XX response codes over a period.
8	Table	Organizes data in a row-column format, making it easy to view and compare specific values.	Suitable for displaying structured multi-dimensional data, such as detailed information of nodes, detailed information of pods, etc.
9	Stat Chart	Displays the current value of a single key indicator, typically requiring textual explanation.	Suitable for showing real-time values of important monitoring indicators, such as numbers of pods, number of nodes, current alert count, etc.
10	Scatter Plot	Uses Cartesian coordinates to plot a series of data points, reflecting the correlation between two variables.	Suitable for analyzing relationships between two indicators, discovering patterns such as linear correlation and clustering through the distribution of data points, helping unearth relationships between metrics.
11	Text Card	Displays key textual information in a card format, usually	Suitable for presenting textual information, such as panel

No.	Panel Name	Description	Suggested Use Cases
		containing a title and a brief description.	descriptions and troubleshooting explanations.

Panel Configuration Description

General Parameters

Parameter	Description
Basic Information	Select the appropriate panel type based on the selected metric data and add titles and descriptions; you can add one or more links, which can be quickly accessed by selecting the corresponding link name next to the title.
Standard Settings	Units used for native metric data. Additionally, gauge charts and gauge bars also support configuring the Total Value field, which will display as the percentage of Current Value/Total Value in the chart.
Tooltips	Tooltips are the display switch for real-time data when hovering over the panels and support selected sorting.
Threshold Parameters	Configure the threshold switch for the panels; when enabled, the threshold will be shown in selected colors in the panels, allowing for threshold sizing.
Value	Set the calculation method for values, such as the most recent value or minimal value. This configuration option is only applicable to stat charts and gauge charts.
Value Mapping	Redefine specified values, ranges, regex or special such as defining 100 as full load. This configuration option is only applicable to stat charts, tables, and gauge charts.

Special Parameters for Panels

Panel Type	Parameter	Description
Trend Chart	Graph Style	You can choose between a line chart or an area chart as the display style; line charts focus more on reflecting the trend changes of indicators, while area charts draw more

Panel Type	Parameter	Description
		attention to changes in total and partial proportions. Choose based on your actual needs.
Gauge Chart	Gauge Chart Settings	Show Direction: When you need to view multiple metrics in a single chart, you can set whether these metrics are arranged horizontally or vertically. Unit Redefinition: You can set independent units for each metric; if not set, the platform will display units from the Standard Settings.
Stat Chart	Stat Chart Settings	Show Direction: When you need to view multiple metrics in a single chart, you can set whether these metrics are arranged horizontally or vertically. Graph Mode: You can add a graph to the stat chart to display the trend of the metric over time.
Pie Chart	Pie Chart Settings	Maximum Number of Slices: You can set this parameter to reduce the number of slices in the pie chart to lessen the interference of categories with comparatively low proportions but high quantities. Excess slices will be merged and displayed as Others. Label Display Fields: You can set the fields displayed in the pie chart labels.
Pie Chart	Graph Style	You can choose either pie or donut as the display style.
Table	Table Settings	Hide Columns: You can reduce the number of columns in the table with this parameter to focus on some primary column information. Column Alignment: You can modify the alignment of data within the column using this parameter. Display Name and Unit: You can modify the column names and units used through this parameter.
Text Card	Graph Style	Style: You can choose to edit the content you wish to

Panel Type	Parameter	Description
		display in the text card in either a rich-text editing box or HTML.

Create Monitoring Dashboards via CLI

1. Create a new YAML configuration file named `example-dashboard.yaml`.
2. Add the MonitorDashboard resource to the YAML file and submit it. The following example creates a monitoring dashboard named demo-v2-dashboard1:




```

kind: MonitorDashboard
apiVersion: ait.alauda.io/v1alpha2
metadata:
  annotations:
    cpaas.io/dashboard.version: '3'
    cpaas.io/description: '{"zh":"描述信息","en":""}' # Description field
  labels:
    cpaas.io/operator: admin
    cpaas.io/dashboard.folder: demo-v2-folder1 # Folder
    cpaas.io/dashboard.is.home.dashboard: 'False' # Is it the main dashboard?
  name: demo-v2-dashboard1 # Name
  namespace: cpaas-system # Namespace (all management view creations will occur in this ns)
spec:
  body: # All information fields
    titleZh: 更新显示名称 # Built-in field for Chinese display name (this field is created under the Chinese language)
    title: english_display_name # Built-in field for English display name (this field is created under the English language) Built-in dashboards can set bilingual translations.
    templating: # Custom variables
      list:
        - hide: 0 # 0 means not hidden; 1 means only the label is hidden; 2 means both label and value are hidden
          label: 集群 # Built-in variable display name (label is set to the appropriate name based on the language, e.g., cluster in English)
          name: cluster # Built-in variable name (unique)
          options: # Define dropdown options; if a query retrieves data, it will use requested data; otherwise, it will use options. A default value can be set (generally only used for setting default values)
            - selected: false # Whether to default select
              text: global
              value: global
          type: custom # Custom variable type; currently, only built-in (custom) and query are supported (Importing Grafana will support constant custom interval (after import, it will be changed to a custom variable and will not support auto))

        - allValue: '' # Select all, passing options with the format xx|xxx|xxx; can set allValue for conversion (Grafana retrieves all data for the current variable as xxx|xxx|xxx, adjustments will ensure consistency)

```

tency)

```

    current: null # Current value of the variable; if not set, defaults to the first in the list
    definition: query_result(kube_namespace_labels) # Query expression for data retrieval
    hide: 0 # 0 means not hidden; 1 means only the label is hidden; 2 means both label and value are hidden
    includeAll: true # Whether to select all
    label: ns # Built-in variable display name
    multi: true # Whether multiple selections are allowed
    name: ns # Variable name (unique)
    options: []
    query: ''
    regex: /.namespace=\.(\.?)\./ # Regex expression for extracting variable values
    sort: 2 # Sorting: 1 - ascending alphabetical order; 2 - descending alphabetical order (only these two support temporarily); 3 - ascending numerical order; 4 - descending numerical order
    type: query # Custom variable type
time: # Dashboard time
    from: now-30m # Start time
    to: now # End time
repeat: '' # Row repeat configuration; chooses custom variable
collapsed: 'false' # Row collapsed or expanded configuration
description: '123' # Description (tooltip after title)
targets: # Data sources
  - indicator: cluster.node.ready # Metric
    expr: sum (cpaas_pod_number{cluster=\.\""}>0) # PromQL expression
    instant: false # Query mode true retrieves data at a specific time
    legendFormat: '' # Legend
    range: true # Default querying range when retrieving data
    refId: 指标1 # Unique identifier for display name of data source
gridPos: # Information on the dashboard's positional layout
  h: 8 # Height
  w: 12 # Width (width corresponds to 24 grid units)
  x: 0 # Horizontal position
  y: 0 # Vertical position
panels: # Panel data
  title: 图表标题tab # Panel name
  type: table # Panel type; currently supports timeseries, bargantt, stat, gauge, table, bargauge, row, text, pie (step chart, scatter plot, bar chart, configurable through drawStyle attribute)

```

```

id: a2239830-492f-4d27-98f3-cb7ecb77c56f # Unique identifier
links: # Links
  - targetBlank: true # Open in a new tab
    title: '1' # Name
    url: '1' # URL address
transformations: # Data transformations
  - id: 'organize' # Type organize; used for sorting, rearranging
    order, showing fields, whether to display
    options:
      excludeByName: # Hidden fields
        cluster_cpu_utilization: true
      indexByName: # Sort
        cluster_cpu_utilization: 0,
        Time: 1
      renameByName: # Rename
        Time: ''
        cluster_cpu_utilization: '222'
  - id: 'merge' # Merging data
    options:
fieldConfig: # For defining panel properties and appearance
defaults: # Default configuration
  custom: # Custom graphic attributes
    align: 'left' # Table alignment: left, center, right
    cellOptions: # Table threshold configuration
      type: color-text # Only supports text for threshold color
settings
    spanNulls: false # true connects null values; false does not
    connect; number == 0 connects null values according to 0
    drawStyle: line # Panel types: line, bars for bar charts, points
    for point charts
    fillOpacity: 20 # Exists when drawStyle is area (currently does not
    support configuration, area defaults to 20)
    thresholdsStyle: # Configures how to display thresholds (currently
    only supports line)
      mode: line # Threshold display format (area not supported
    currently)
      lineInterpolation: 'stepBefore' # Step chart configuration;
    defaults to only supporting stepBefore (stepAfter will be supported
    later)
    decimals: 3 # Decimal points
    min: 0 # Minimum value (currently not supported for page configuration,
    only supports imports that have been adapted)
    max: 1 # Maximum value (page configuration only applies to stat gauge
    barGauge pie)

```

```

    unit: '%' # Unit
    mappings: # Value mapping configuration (currently only supports value and range types; special types supported on data)
      - options: # Value mapping rules
        '1': # Corresponding value
          index: 0
          text: 'Running' # Displayed as Running when value is
1
          type: value # Value mapping type
      - options: # Range mapping rules
        from: 2 # Range start value
        to: 3 # Range end value
        result: # Mapping result
          index: 1
          text: 'Error' # Values from 2 to 3 will display as Error
ror
          type: range # Mapping type for range
      - type: special # Mapping type for special scenarios
        options:
          match: null # nan null null+nan empty true false
          result:
            text: xxx
            index: 2
    thresholds: # Threshold configuration
      mode: absolute # Threshold configuration mode, absolute value mode (currently only supports absolute and percentage mode; percentage mode is not supported yet)
      steps: # Threshold steps
        - color: '#a7772f' # Threshold color
          value: '2' # Threshold value
        - color: '#007AF5' # Default value with no value is the Base
ase
    overrides: # Override configuration
      - matcher:
          id: byName # Match based on field name
          options: node # Corresponding name
        properties: # Override configuration; id currently only supports displayName unit
          - id: displayName # Display name override
            value: '1' # Overridden display name
          - id: unit # Unit override
            value: GB/s # Unit value
          - id: noValue # No value display
            value: No value display

```

```

options:
  orientation: horizontal # Control the layout direction of panels; applies to gauge and barGauge (stat will be supported later)
  legend: # Legend configuration
    calcs: # Calculating methods (only displays when the legend position is on the right)
      - latest # Currently only supports most recent value
    placement: right # Legend position (right or bottom; defaults to bottom)
    placementRightTop: '' # Configuration for the upper right
    showLegend: true # Whether to display the legend
  tooltip: # Tooltips
    mode: multi # Mode dual selection (only multi-mode supported)
All data displayed when the mouse hovers over
  sort: asc # Sorting: asc or desc
  reduceOptions: # Value calculating method (used for aggregating data)
    calcs: # Calculating methods (latest, minimum, maximum, average, sum)
      - latest
    limit: 3 # Pie limits the number of slices
  textMode: 'value' # Stat configuration; defines style for displaying metric value; options are auto, value, value_and_name, name, none (currently not supported in the page configuration, but supported in imports)
  colorMode: 'value' # Stat configuration; defines color mode for displaying metric values; options are none, value, background (defaults to value; not supported in configuration but adapted in import)
  displayLabels: ['name', 'value', 'percent'] # Fields displayed in pie chart labels
  pieType: 'pie' # Pie chart type; options are pie and donut
  mode: 'html' # Text chart type mode; options are html and richText
  content: '<div>xxx</div>' # Content for text chart type
  footer:
    enablePagination: true # Table pagination enabled

```

Common Functions and Variables

Common Functions

When defining query settings, besides using PromQL to set queries, the platform provides some common functions as follows for your reference in customizing query settings.

Function	Purpose
label_names()	Returns all labels in Prometheus, e.g., <code>label_names()</code> .
label_values(label)	Returns all selectable values for the label name in all monitored metrics in Prometheus, e.g., <code>label_values(job)</code> .
label_values(metric, label)	Returns all selectable values for the label name in the specified metric in Prometheus, e.g., <code>label_values(up, job)</code> .
metrics(metric)	Returns all metric names that satisfy the defined regex pattern in the metric field, e.g., <code>metrics(cpaas_active)</code> .
query_result(query)	Returns the query result for the specified Prometheus query, e.g., <code>query_result(up)</code> .

Common Variables

While defining query settings, you can combine common functions into variables to quickly define custom variables. Here are some common variable definitions available for your reference:

Variable Name	Query Function
cluster	<code>label_values(cpaas_cluster_info,cluster)</code>
node	<code>label_values(node_load1, instance)</code>
namespace	<code>query_result(kube_namespace_labels)</code>
deployment	<code>label_values(kube_deployment_spec_replicas{namespace="\$namespace"}, deployment)</code>

Variable Name	Query Function
daemonset	<code>label_values(kube_daemonset_status_number_ready{namespace="\$namespace"} daemonset)</code>
statefulset	<code>label_values(kube_statefulset_replicas{namespace="\$namespace"}, statefulset)</code>
pod	<code>label_values(kube_pod_info{namespace=~"\$namespace"}, pod)</code>
vmcluster	<code>label_values(up, vmcluster)</code>
daemonset	<code>label_values(kube_daemonset_status_number_ready{namespace="\$namespace"} daemonset)</code>

Variable Use Case One

Using the **query_result(query)** function to query the value: `node_load5`, and extract the IP.

1. In **Query Settings**, fill in `query_result(node_load5)`.
2. In the **Variable Value Preview** area, the preview example is `node_load5{container="node-exporter",endpoint="metrics",host_ip="192.168.178.182",instance="192.168.178.182:9100"}`.
3. In **Regular Expression**, fill in `/. *instance="(.*?):.* /` to filter the value.
4. In the **Variable Value Preview** area, the preview example is `192.168.176.163`.

Variable Use Case Two

1. Add the first variable: namespace, using the **query_result(query)** function to query the value: `kube_namespace_labels`, and extract the namespace.
 - **Query Settings:** `query_result(kube_namespace_labels)`.
 - **Variable Value Preview:** `kube_namespace_labels{container="exporter-kube-state", endpoint="kube-state-metrics", instance="12.3.188.121:8080",`

```
job="kube-state", label_cpaas_io_project="cpaas-system", namespace="cert-
manager", pod="kube-prometheus-exporter-kube-state-55bb6bc67f-lpgtx",
project="cpaas-system", service="kube-prometheus-exporter-kube-state"} .
```

- **Regular Expression:** `/.+namespace="\(..*?\)".*/` .

- In the **Variable Value Preview** area, the preview example includes multiple namespaces such as `argocd` , `cpaas-system` , and more.

2. Add the second variable: deployment, and reference the variable created earlier:

- **Query Settings:** `kube_deployment_spec_replicas{namespace=~"$namespace"}` .

- **Regular Expression:** `/.+deployment="\(..*?\)".*/` .

3. Add a panel to the current dashboard and reference the previously added variables, for example:

- Metric Name: **pod Memory Usage under Compute Components**.
- Key-Value Pair: `kind : Deployment` , `name : $deployment` , `namespace : $namespace` .

4. Once you have added the panels and saved them, you can view the corresponding panel information on the dashboard homepage.

Notes When Using Built-in Metrics

WARNING

The following metrics use custom variables `namespace` , `name` , and `kind` , which do not support **multiple selections** or selecting **all**.

- `namespace` only supports selecting a specific namespace;
- `name` only supports three types of computing components: `deployment` , `daemonset` , `statefulset` ;
- `kind` only supports specifying one of the types: `Deployment` , `DaemonSet` , `StatefulSet` .

- `workload.cpu.utilization`

- `workload.memory.utilization`
- `workload.network.receive.bytes.rate`
- `workload.network.transmit.bytes.rate`
- `workload.gpu.utilization`
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Function Overview

Perses monitoring dashboards are introduced in Alauda Container Platform 4.4 as a new dashboard capability based on the open source Perses rendering engine. You can view built-in dashboards, create custom dashboards, import dashboard JSON, and manage metric panels for clusters.

Perses monitoring dashboards coexist with the existing [Monitoring Dashboards](#) capability. The existing MonitorDashboard entry and resources remain available. You can migrate existing MonitorDashboard resources to PersesDashboard resources when you want to render them in the Perses dashboard entry. For more information, see [Migrate MonitorDashboard to Perses](#).

The first phase focuses on metric dashboards:

- Common metric chart types are supported.
- The platform metric data source is fixed and is not exposed in the UI.
- Logs, traces, and profiling visualizations are not supported in this phase.

Prerequisites

Before using Perses monitoring dashboards, install the following components:

Component	Installation location	Purpose
Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses	The <code>global</code> cluster runs the only Perses server instance. Workload clusters install the operator as needed to provide PersesDashboard CRDs, but do not create Perses instances.	Provides the Perses dashboard backend, rendering, and editing capabilities.
Alauda Container Platform Dashboard Essentials	Only the <code>global</code> cluster	Provides the RBAC-aware metric query service used by Perses dashboards.

For installation instructions, see [Installation](#). If the selected cluster has not installed **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses**, the Perses dashboard page shows an installation guide instead of a dashboard list.

Access Perses Dashboards

1. Log in to the container platform management view.
2. In the left navigation bar, go to **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)**.
3. Use the **Cluster** selector at the top of the page to select the cluster whose dashboards you want to view.

View Dashboards

Dashboard List

The dashboard list shows the Perses dashboards that you can access in the selected cluster.

Item	Description
Columns	The list displays Dashboard , Folder , and Created .
Search and filter	You can search or filter dashboards by name, folder, or tag.
Built-in dashboards	Built-in dashboards are marked with Built-In . Edit and Delete are disabled for built-in dashboards, while Duplicate is available.
Custom dashboards	Custom dashboards support Edit , Duplicate , and Delete .

Dashboard View

Click a dashboard name to open the dashboard view.

In the dashboard view, you can:

- View panels organized by panel groups.
- Use dashboard variables to filter panel data.
- Select a time range and refresh interval.
- Download dashboard data when the dashboard supports it.
- Click  to open **Dashboard JSON** in read-only mode.
- Open **Query Viewer** from a panel to view the PromQL query, legend, and minimum step in read-only mode.

The query viewer does not display data source information because the platform metric data source is fixed.

For built-in dashboards, **Edit** and **Settings** are disabled in the dashboard view.

Create and Edit Dashboards

Create a Dashboard

1. On the Perses dashboard list page, click **Create**.
2. Configure the dashboard information.

Field	Required	Description
Name	Yes	Dashboard display name.
Description	No	Dashboard description.
Folder	Yes	Folder used to organize dashboards.
Tags	No	Tags used to organize and search dashboards.

3. Confirm the creation. The platform opens the dashboard editor.

The resource name is generated by the backend. You only need to provide the dashboard display name in the UI.

Use the Dashboard Editor

The dashboard editor provides the following main actions:

Action	Description
Variables	Add or edit dashboard variables.
Add Panel	Add a panel to the dashboard.
Add Panel Group	Add a panel group to organize panels.
Save	Save the dashboard.
Cancel	Exit editing without saving the latest changes.

Add a Panel

1. In the dashboard editor, click **Add Panel**.
2. In the **Add Panel** drawer, configure the panel name, group, description, and chart type.
3. Configure queries on the **Query** tab.

Field	Description
Query language	Use native PromQL. Metric names and labels support auto-completion.
Query Type	Use ACP Courier Query for range queries and ACP Courier Instant Query for instant queries. Instant queries are commonly used by Bar, Gauge, and Stat panels for current-value views.
Add Query	Add multiple queries to one panel.

4. Configure other tabs as needed, such as **General Settings**, **Query Settings**, **Links**, and **JSON**.
5. Check the preview and save the panel.

The query area uses the platform metric data source automatically and does not show a data source selector.

Add Variables

Use **Variables** in the editor to add dashboard variables.

Variable type	Description
List	Generates selectable values dynamically from metric query results.
Text	Uses manually entered text. Text variables support a Constant setting.

Edit Dashboard JSON

In edit mode, click  to open **Edit Dashboard JSON**. You can edit the dashboard definition directly.

Chart Types

Perses monitoring dashboards support the following metric chart types in this phase:

Chart type	Use case
Time Series Chart	Time-series trends.
Bar Chart	Bar comparison or ranking.
Gauge Chart	Current value or utilization level.
Stat Chart	Highlighted single values or key indicators.
Pie Chart	Proportions and composition.
Table	Structured multi-dimensional data.

Chart type	Use case
Scatter Chart	Distribution and correlation.
Histogram	Histogram distribution.
HeatMap	Heat distribution.
Status History	Status changes over time.
Markdown	Descriptive text or section content.

Logs, traces, and profiling charts are not supported in this phase.

Import Dashboards

1. On the dashboard list page, open the **Create** drop-down menu and select **Import dashboard**.
2. Configure the import information.

Field	Required	Description
Name	Yes	Dashboard display name.
Description	No	Dashboard description.
Folder	Yes	Folder used to organize the dashboard.
Dashboard JSON	Yes	Perses or Grafana dashboard JSON. You can upload a file or paste JSON content.

3. Confirm the import.

Perses JSON can be imported directly. Grafana JSON is converted to the Perses model during import. This conversion is lossy and preserves only the chart types and functions supported by the current version.

Manage Dashboards

Operation	Description
Duplicate	Creates an editable copy of an existing dashboard. Built-in dashboards can also be duplicated as custom dashboards.
Settings	Updates the dashboard name, description, folder, and tags.
Switch	Opens a dialog for switching to another dashboard by folder and search keyword.
Delete	Deletes a custom dashboard. Built-in dashboards cannot be deleted.

Troubleshooting

The page shows an installation guide instead of dashboards

The selected cluster has not installed **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses**. Install the component in that cluster and open **Dashboards (Perses)** again.

A dashboard has no data

Check the following items:

- **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard Essentials** is installed and running in the `global` cluster.
- Monitoring data collection and storage are working in the selected cluster.
- The current user has permission to query metrics for the target cluster, namespace, or project.

Some built-in dashboards show resource names such as

`xxx-pd`

Some migrated built-in dashboards may show the Kubernetes resource name instead of the display name when the source dashboard does not contain the `cpaas.io/display-name` annotation. This does not affect dashboard rendering or metric queries.

Related Operations

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Overview

Fleet Monitoring provides a global multi-cluster monitoring view for platform administrators. It helps you understand which clusters are connected, whether monitoring data is fresh, and whether the fleet has resource capacity or quota risks.

Fleet Monitoring does not replace single-cluster monitoring. Use Fleet Monitoring for fleet-level governance, capacity analysis, and long-term trends. Use single-cluster monitoring when you need detailed troubleshooting for a specific cluster, namespace, workload, or metric.

Prerequisites

Before using Fleet Monitoring, make sure the following requirements are met:

- **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is installed on the Global cluster.
- A `FleetMonitoringHub` resource exists on the Global cluster.
- **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** is installed on every cluster that you want to include in Fleet Monitoring.
- A `FleetMonitoringAgent` resource exists on every cluster that you want to include.
- The connected clusters are managed by the Global cluster and have the Monitoring feature enabled.
- You have permission to view the Fleet Monitoring page and monitoring data.

For enablement steps, see [Configure Fleet Monitoring](#).

Access Fleet Monitoring

To open Fleet Monitoring, go to **Platform > Observe > Fleet Monitoring**.

The page displays the default Fleet Monitoring dashboard. Use **Switch** to switch between built-in and custom Fleet Monitoring dashboards.

In the first version, the Fleet Monitoring page does not provide **Create**, **Import**, or panel editing actions. To add a custom Fleet Monitoring dashboard, use the existing Monitoring Dashboard resource workflow. For more information, see [Add Custom Fleet Monitoring Dashboards](#).

Built-in Dashboards

Fleet Monitoring includes preset dashboards for fleet-level monitoring.

Fleet Monitoring Overview

The **Fleet Monitoring Overview** dashboard is the default preset dashboard. It helps you answer the following questions:

- Which clusters are connected to Fleet Monitoring?
- How many nodes, pods, projects, CPU cores, and memory resources are in the fleet?
- What are the current CPU and memory usage and request levels across the fleet?
- Which nodes have higher CPU or memory usage?
- What are the fleet-level CPU and memory utilization trends?

Use this dashboard for daily fleet health checks, capacity review, and quick identification of clusters that need attention.

The dashboard includes the following information:

Area	Description
Fleet inventory	Cluster count, node count, pod count, project count, total CPU, total memory, stale collection count, and active alert count.
Fleet utilization	CPU usage ratio, CPU request ratio, memory usage ratio, and memory request ratio.
Node ranking	Top nodes by CPU usage and memory usage across connected clusters.
Utilization trends	CPU utilization trend and memory utilization trend.
Cluster details	Cluster-level resource and utilization details.

Fleet Monitoring Project Quota

The **Fleet Monitoring Project Quota** dashboard is a preset dashboard that helps you understand project quota allocation and usage across connected clusters.

Use this dashboard to review project quota distribution and identify projects with quota allocation or usage risks.

The dashboard includes the following information:

Area	Description
Definitions and thresholds	Definitions for quota, allocated, used, and usage ratio, and threshold meanings for normal, high, and near-limit usage.
Quota usage overview	Project count, quota object count, high-usage object count, CPU and memory usage ratios, quota totals, allocated amounts, and used amounts.
Quota distribution	CPU and memory quota distribution across unallocated, allocated-unused, and occupied resources.
Quota usage ranking	Top projects by CPU quota usage and memory quota usage.
Project quota details	Project-level quota allocation, usage, and risk details.

Filter Data

Fleet Monitoring dashboards provide variables that help you narrow the view to a specific cluster set or project set.

Variable	Description
Cluster Label Key	Selects the cluster label key used for filtering.
Cluster Label Value	Selects a value for the selected cluster label key.
Cluster	Selects one or more clusters. This list can be narrowed by the cluster label variables.
Project	Selects one or more projects. This variable is available on the project quota dashboard.
Quota Resource Type	Switches between <code>limits</code> and <code>requests</code> . This variable is available on the project quota dashboard.
Time range	Controls the dashboard query time range.

The **Cluster** variable can list all known clusters. The **Connected Clusters** metric counts only clusters that are actually writing Fleet Monitoring data. Therefore, the cluster list and connected cluster count can be different.

Add Custom Fleet Monitoring Dashboards

You can add custom multi-cluster dashboards to Fleet Monitoring by using the existing Monitoring Dashboard resource workflow.

Use one of the following methods:

- In the existing Dashboard page, create a dashboard on the Global cluster and add the `fleet-monitoring` tag by using the page actions.
- Submit a `MonitorDashboard` YAML resource to the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is installed on the Global cluster. Make sure the resource has the `cpaas.io/dashboard.tag.fleet-monitoring: "true"` label. This label adds the `fleet-monitoring` tag to the dashboard.

Example:

```
apiVersion: ait.alauda.io/v1alpha2
kind: MonitorDashboard
metadata:
  name: my-fleet-dashboard
  namespace: <fleet-monitoring-namespace>
  labels:
    cpaas.io/dashboard.folder: fleet
    cpaas.io/dashboard.tag.fleet-monitoring: "true"
    cpaas.io/dashboard.tag.multi-cluster: "true"
    cpaas.io/published: "true"
spec:
  body: {}
```

Replace `<fleet-monitoring-namespace>` with the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is installed.

The system does not validate whether a custom dashboard uses Fleet Monitoring metrics. The dashboard author must make sure that the dashboard uses data sources, metrics, and variables that work in the Fleet Monitoring context.

For multi-cluster dashboards, use the `cluster` label to identify the source cluster. If an original metric already has a `cluster` label, Fleet Monitoring preserves the original value as `exported_cluster`.

In the current platform query path, Fleet Monitoring dashboard queries should explicitly include `vmcluster=~".*"` when querying Fleet metrics directly. Without this selector, the monitoring query proxy can narrow the query to the Global monitoring backend and return no Fleet metric data for connected clusters.

Examples:

```
avg_over_time(fleet:node:node_load15:avg{vmcluster=~".*",cluster="g1-c1"}[1h])
```

```
last_over_time(fleet:node:node_load15:avg:avg_over_time_1h{vmcluster=~".*",cluster="g1-c1"}[2h])
```

Limits

The first version of Fleet Monitoring has the following limits:

- Fleet Monitoring does not provide a dedicated multi-cluster alerting page.
- Fleet Monitoring data can be used by the existing alerting mechanism, but alert rules are still managed through existing alerting workflows.
- Fleet Monitoring does not provide a self-service page for ordinary users to configure collected metrics or recording rules.
- Fleet Monitoring does not backfill historical data. Data is collected only after Fleet Monitoring is enabled.
- Fleet Monitoring is not intended for second-level troubleshooting. Use single-cluster monitoring for detailed troubleshooting.

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The probe feature of the platform is realized based on Blackbox Exporter, allowing users to probe the network via ICMP, TCP, or HTTP to quickly identify faults occurring on the platform.

Unlike white-box monitoring systems, which rely on various monitoring metrics already available on the platform, blackbox monitoring focuses on the outcomes. When white-box monitoring cannot cover all factors affecting service availability, blackbox monitoring can swiftly detect faults and issue alerts based on those faults. For example, if an API endpoint is abnormal, blackbox monitoring can promptly expose such issues to users.

WARNING

The probe function does not support using ICMP to detect IPv6 addresses on nodes with kernel versions 3.10 and below. To use this scenario, please upgrade the kernel version on the node to 3.11 or higher.

Blackbox Monitoring

To create a blackbox monitoring item, you can choose the ICMP, TCP, or HTTP probing method to periodically probe the specified target address.

Prerequisites

The monitoring components must be installed in the cluster, and the monitoring components must be functioning properly.

Procedures for Operation

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operations Center > Monitoring > Blackbox Monitoring**.
Tip: Blackbox monitoring is a cluster-level feature. Click on the top navigation bar to switch between clusters.
2. Click **Create Blackbox Monitoring Item**.
3. Refer to the following instructions to configure the relevant parameters.

Parameter	Description
Probing Method	ICMP: Probes by pinging the domain name or IP address entered in the Target Address to check the server's availability. TCP: Probes the business port of the host by listening on the <code><domain:port></code> or <code><IP:port></code> specified in the Target Address. HTTP: Probes the URL entered in Target Address to check website connectivity. Tip: The HTTP probing method only supports GET requests by default; for POST requests, please refer to Customizing the BlackboxExporter Monitoring Module.
Probing Interval	The interval time for probing.
Target Address	The target address for probing, with a maximum of 128 characters. The input format for the target address varies by probing method: ICMP: A domain name or IP address, e.g., <code>10.165.94.31</code>. TCP: <code><domain:port></code> or <code><IP:port></code>, e.g., <code>172.19.155.133:8765</code>. HTTP: A URL that starts with http or https, e.g., <code>http://alauda.cn/</code>.

4. Click **Create**.

Once created successfully, you can view the latest probing results in real time on the list page, and based on the blackbox monitoring items, you can [create alert policies](#). When a fault is detected, an alert will be automatically triggered to notify the relevant personnel for resolution.

WARNING

After successfully creating the blackbox monitoring items, the system requires about 5 minutes to synchronize the configuration. During this synchronization period, probing will not occur and probing results cannot be viewed.

Blackbox Alerts

Prerequisites

- The monitoring components must be installed in the cluster, and the monitoring components must be functioning properly.
- The blackbox monitoring item must have been successfully created, and the system must have finished synchronizing the configuration so that probing results are visible on the blackbox monitoring page.

Procedures for Operation

1. In the left navigation bar, click **Operations Center > Alerts > Alert Policies**.

Tip: Alert policies are a cluster-level feature. Click on the top navigation bar to switch between clusters. Please ensure you switch to the cluster where the blackbox monitoring item has just been configured.

2. Click **Create Alert Policy**.

3. Refer to the following instructions to configure the relevant parameters; for more parameter information, please refer to [Create Alert Policies](#).

- **Alert Type:** Please select **Resource Alert**.
- **Resource Type:** Please select **Cluster**.
- Click **Add Alert Rule**.
 - **Alert Type:** Please select **Blackbox Alert**.
 - **Blackbox Monitoring Item:** Please select the desired blackbox monitoring item.
 - **Metric Name:** Please select the metric you wish to monitor and alert on. The current supported metrics by the platform are **Connectivity** and **HTTP Status Code**.
 - **Connectivity:** This metric can be selected for all blackbox monitoring items, where the trigger condition “**!= 1**” indicates that the target address of the blackbox monitoring item is unreachable.
 - **HTTP Status Code:** This metric can be selected when the probing method of the chosen blackbox monitoring item is **HTTP**. You can input a three-digit positive integer as the value for the trigger condition, for example, if the condition is set to “**> 299**”, it means alerts are fired when the response codes are 3XX, 4XX, or 5XX.
- **Notification Policy:** Please select your pre-configured policy.

- Click **Add**.

4. Click **Create**. After the alert policy submission, you can see this alert policy in the alert policy list.

Customizing BlackboxExporter Monitoring Module

You can also enhance the functionalities of blackbox monitoring by adding customized monitoring modules to the BlackboxExporter configuration file. For example, by adding the **http_post_2xx** module to the configuration file, when the probing method of blackbox monitoring is set to **HTTP**, it would then be able to probe the status of POST request methods.

The configuration file for blackbox monitoring is located within the namespace where the Prometheus component of the cluster is installed, with the default name being **cpaas-monitor-prometheus-blackbox-exporter**, which can be modified as needed based on the actual name.

TIP

This configuration file is a ConfigMap resource related to the namespace, which can be quickly viewed and updated through the platform's management feature, **Cluster Management > Resource Management**.

Procedures for Operation

1. Update the configuration file of blackbox monitoring by adding customizable monitoring modules to **key modules**.

Taking the addition of the **http_post_2xx** module as an example:

```
blackbox.yaml: |
  modules:
    http_post_2xx:                # HTTP POST probing module
      prober: http
      timeout: 5s
      http:
        method: POST              # Request method for probing
        headers:
          Content-Type: application/json
        body: '{}                 # Body content sent with the probe
```

For complete YAML examples of the blackbox monitoring configuration file, please refer to [Reference Information](#).

2. Activate the configuration by choosing one of the following methods.

- Restart the Blackbox Exporter Component **cpaas-monitor-prometheus-blackbox-exporter** by deleting its Pod.
- Execute the following command to call the reload API and refresh the configuration file:

```
curl -X POST -v <Pod IP>:9115/-/reload
```

Create Blackbox Monitoring Items and Alerts via CLI

Prerequisites

- Notification policies must be configured (if you require alert automatic notifications).
- The target cluster must have monitoring components installed.

Procedures for Operation

1. Create a new YAML configuration file named `example-probe.yaml`.

2. Add the PrometheusRule resource to the YAML file and submit it. The following example creates a new alert policy named `prometheus-liveness`:

```

apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: Probe
metadata:
  annotations:
    cpaas.io/creator: jhshi@alauda.io # Creator of the probe item
    cpaas.io/updated-at: '2021-05-25T08:08:45Z' # Last update time of the probe item
    cpaas.io/display-name: 'Prometheus prober' # Description of the probe item
  creationTimestamp: '2021-05-10T02:04:33Z' # Creation time of the probe item
  labels:
    prometheus: kube-prometheus # Label value used for prometheus's name
  name: prometheus-liveness # Name of the probe item
  namespace: cpaas-system # Namespace used for the prometheus's namespace
spec:
  jobName: prometheus-liveness # Name of the probe item
  prober:
    url: cpaas-monitor-prometheus-blackbox-exporter:9115 # URL for Blackbox metrics, retrieved from features
  module: http_2xx # Name of the probe item's module
  targets:
    staticConfig:
      static:
        - http://www.prometheus.io # Target address of the probe item
      labels:
        module: http_2xx # Name of the probe item's module
        prober: http # Probing method of the probe item
  interval: 30s # Probe interval for the probe item
  scrapeTimeout: 10s

```

3. Create a new YAML configuration file named `example-alerting-rule.yaml`.
4. Add the PrometheusRule resource to the YAML file and submit it. The following example creates a new alert policy named `policy`:


```

apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: PrometheusRule
metadata:
  annotations:
    alert.cpaas.io/cluster: global # Name of the cluster where the alert resides
    alert.cpaas.io/kind: Cluster # Resource type
    alert.cpaas.io/name: global # Name of the cluster where the blackbox monitoring item resides
    alert.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system # Namespace used for the prometheus's namespace, keep defaults
    alert.cpaas.io/notifications: '["test"]'
    alert.cpaas.io/repeat-config: '{"Critical":"never","High":"5m","Medium":"5m","Low":"5m"}'
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.description: '{}'
    alert.cpaas.io/rules.disabled: '[]'
    alert.cpaas.io/subkind: ''
    cpaas.io/description: ''
    cpaas.io/display-name: policy # Display name of the alert policy
  labels:
    alert.cpaas.io/owner: System
    alert.cpaas.io/project: cpaas-system
    cpaas.io/source: Platform
    prometheus: kube-prometheus
    rule.cpaas.io/cluster: global
    rule.cpaas.io/name: policy
    rule.cpaas.io/namespace: cpaas-system
  name: policy
  namespace: cpaas-system
spec:
  groups:
    - name: general # Name of the alert rules
      rules:
        - alert: cluster.blackbox.probe.success-y97ah-9833444d918cab96c43e9ab6efc172cf
          annotations:
            alert_current_value: '{{ $value }}' # Current value for notification, keep default
          expr:
            max by (job, instance) (probe_success{job=~"test", instance=~"https://demo.at-servicecenter.com/"})!=1
            # Connectivity alert scenario, be sure to modify the blackbox monitoring item name and target address

```

```

for: 30s # Duration
labels:
  alert_cluster: global # Name of the cluster where the alert
resides
  alert_for: 30s # Duration
  alert_indicator: cluster.blackbox.probe.success # Keep unch
anged
  alert_indicator_aggregate_range: '0' # Keep unchanged
  alert_indicator_blackbox_instance: https://demo.at-servicec
enter.com/ # Blackbox monitoring target address
  alert_indicator_blackbox_name: test # Blackbox monitoring i
tem name
  alert_indicator_comparison: '!=' # Keep configuration uncha
nged for connectivity alerts
  alert_indicator_query: '' # Used for log alerts, no need to
configure this parameter
  alert_indicator_threshold: '1' # Threshold for the alert ru
le, 1 indicates connectivity, keep unchanged
  alert_indicator_unit: '' # Unit of the alert rule's metrics
  alert_involved_object_kind: Cluster # Keep unchanged for bl
ackbox alerts
  alert_involved_object_name: global # Cluster where the blac
kbox monitoring item resides
  alert_involved_object_namespace: '' # Namespace of the obje
ct to which the alert rule belongs
  alert_name: cluster.blackbox.probe.success-y97ah # Name of
the alert rule
  alert_namespace: cpaas-system # Namespace where the alert r
ule resides
  alert_project: cpaas-system # Name of the project of the ob
ject to which the alert rule belongs
  alert_resource: policy # Name of the alert policy where the
alert rule resides
  alert_source: Platform # Type of data for the alert rule: P
latform- platform data, Business- business data
  severity: High # Alert rule level: Critical- disaster, High
- serious, Medium- warning, Low- tip
- alert: cluster.blackbox.http.status.code-235e1-99b0095b6b6669
415043e14ae84f43bc
annotations:
  alert_current_value: '{{ $value }}'
  alert_notifications: '["message"]'
expr:
  max by(job, instance) (probe_http_status_code{job=~"test",

```

```

instance=~"https://demo.at-servicecenter.com/"}>200
# HTTP status code alert scenario, be sure to modify the blackbox monitoring item name and target address
for: 30s
labels:
  alert_cluster: global
  alert_for: 30s
  alert_indicator: cluster.blackbox.http.status.code
  alert_indicator_aggregate_range: '0'
  alert_indicator_blackbox_instance: https://demo.at-servicecenter.com/
  alert_indicator_blackbox_name: test
  alert_indicator_comparison: '>'
  alert_indicator_query: ''
  alert_indicator_threshold: '299' # Threshold for alert rules, in HTTP status code alert scenarios, should be a three-digit number, for example, statuses greater than 299 (3XX, 4XX, 5XX) indicate an error
  alert_indicator_unit: ''
  alert_involved_object_kind: Cluster
  alert_involved_object_name: global
  alert_involved_object_namespace: ''
  alert_involved_object_options: Single
  alert_name: cluster.blackbox.http.status.code-235el
  alert_namespace: cpaas-system
  alert_project: cpaas-system
  alert_resource: policy33
  alert_source: Platform
  severity: High

```

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A complete example of the YAML configuration file for blackbox monitoring is as follows:


```

apiVersion: v1
data:
  blackbox.yaml: |
    modules:
      http_2xx_example:          # Example of HTTP probing
        prober: http
        timeout: 5s              # Timeout for probing
        http:
          valid_http_versions: ["HTTP/1.1", "HTTP/2.0"]
# The Version in the returned information, generally defaults
          valid_status_codes: [] # Defaults to 2xx
# Range of valid response codes; if the returned code is within this range, it is considered a successful probe
        method: GET              # Request method
        headers:                 # Request headers
          Host: vhost.example.com
          Accept-Language: en-US
          Origin: example.com
        no_follow_redirects: false # Indicates whether to allow redirection
        fail_if_ssl: false
        fail_if_not_ssl: false
        fail_if_body_matches_regexp:
          - "Could not connect to database"
        fail_if_body_not_matches_regexp:
          - "Download the latest version here"
        fail_if_header_matches: # Verifies that no cookies are set
          - header: Set-Cookie
            allow_missing: true
            regexp: '.*'
        fail_if_header_not_matches:
          - header: Access-Control-Allow-Origin
            regexp: '(\*|example\.com)'
        tls_config:              # TLS configuration for https requests
          insecure_skip_verify: false
          preferred_ip_protocol: "ip4" # defaults to "ip6"
# Preferred IP protocol version
          ip_protocol_fallback: false # No fallback to "ip6"
        http_post_2xx:          # Example of HTTP probing with Body
          prober: http
          timeout: 5s

```


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Prometheus monitoring data is stored in TSDB (Time Series Database) format, supporting backup and restore functionalities. The monitoring data is stored in a designated path within the Prometheus container (specified by the configuration `storage.tsdb.path`, which defaults to `/prometheus`).

```
template:
  spec:
    containers:
      - args:
        - '--storage.tsdb.path=/prometheus' # Directory for storing monitoring data in the Prometheus container
```

Use Cases

- Retaining historical monitoring data during system migration
- Preventing data loss due to unexpected incidents
- Migrating monitoring data to a new Prometheus instance

Prerequisites

- The ACP Monitoring with Prometheus plugin has been installed (the name of the compute component is `prometheus-kube-prometheus-0`, and the type is `StatefulSet`)
- Administrator privileges for the cluster
- Ensure there is sufficient storage space at the target storage location

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Backup Data

Before starting the backup, please note: When Prometheus stores monitoring data, it first places the collected data into a cache and then periodically writes it to the storage directory.

The following backup methods use the storage directory as the data source, so they do not include the data in the cache at the time of backup.

Method 1: Backup Storage Directory (Recommended)

1. Use the `kubectl cp` command to back up:

```
kubectl cp -n cpaas-system prometheus-kube-prometheus-0-0:/prometheus -c prometheus <target storage path>
```

2. Backup from the storage backend (based on the type of storage selected during installation):

- **LocalVolume:** Copy from the `/cpaas/monitoring/prometheus` directory
- **PV:** Copy from the PV mount directory (it is recommended to set the PV's `persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy` to `Retain`)
- **StorageClass:** Copy from the PV mount directory

Method 2: Snapshot Backup

1. Enable Admin API:

```
kubectl edit -n cpaas-system prometheus kube-prometheus-0
```

Add the configuration:

```
spec:  
  enableAdminAPI: true
```

Note: After updating and saving the configuration, the Prometheus Pod (Pod name: `prometheus-kube-prometheus-0-0`) will restart. Wait until all Pods are in Running status before proceeding with subsequent operations.

2. Create a snapshot:

```
curl -XPOST <Prometheus Pod IP>:9090/api/v1/admin/tsdb/snapshot
```

Restore Data

1. Copy the backup data to the Prometheus container:

```
kubectl cp ./prometheus-backup cpaas-system/prometheus-kube-prometheus-0-0:/prometheus/
```

2. Move data into the specified directory:

```
kubectl exec -it -n cpaas-system prometheus-kube-prometheus-0-0 -c prometheus sh
mv /prometheus/prometheus-backup/* /prometheus/
```

Shortcut: When the storage type is **LocalVolume** during plugin installation, simply copy the backup data directly to the `/cpaas/monitoring/prometheus/prometheus-db/` directory of the node where the plugin is installed.

Operation Results

- After backup is complete, the complete TSDB format monitoring data can be seen at the target storage path
- After restoration is complete, Prometheus will automatically load the historical monitoring data

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TSDB Data Format Description

Example of TSDB format data structure:

```

├─ 01FXP317QBANGAX1XQAXCJK9DB
|   ├─ chunks
|   |   └─ 000001
|   ├─ index
|   ├─ meta.json
|   └─ tombstones
├─ chunks_head
|   ├─ 000022
|   └─ 000023
├─ queries.active
└─ wal
    ├─ 00000020
    ├─ 00000021
    ├─ 00000022
    ├─ 00000023
    └─ checkpoint.00000019
        └─ 00000000

```

Data Backup Considerations

- Backup data does not include the cached data at the time of backup
- It is recommended to perform data backups regularly
- When using PV storage, it is advisable to set the **persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy** to

Retain

Next Procedures

- Verify whether the monitoring data has been correctly restored
- Regularly schedule data backup plans
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The backup and recovery feature for VictoriaMetrics monitoring data allows you to perform regular backups of monitoring data and recover data when necessary, ensuring the safety and availability of monitoring data.

Use Cases

- Regularly backing up monitoring data to prevent data loss
- Data migration during system migration
- Disaster recovery
- Reconstructing test environment data

Prerequisites

- The ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics plugin has been installed in the cluster
- Ensure there is sufficient storage space for backups
- Have access to the VictoriaMetrics storage path

Procedures

1. Confirm Storage Path

The monitoring data of VictoriaMetrics is stored in the specified path of the container, which is indicated by the `-storageDataPath` parameter, defaulting to `/vm-data`.

Configuration example:

```
spec:
  template:
    spec:
      containers:
        - args:
            - '-storageDataPath=/vm-data'
```

Note: The name of the computing component in the ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics plugin is `vmstorage-cluster`, and its type is `StatefulSet`.

2. Execute Data Backup

Use vmbackup tool to perform data backup; please refer to the [vmbackup official documentation](#) ↗ for detailed operations.

3. Execute Data Recovery

Use vmrestore tool to restore backup data; please refer to the [vmrestore official documentation](#) ↗ for detailed operations.

Operation Result

After completing the backup, you will receive a complete backup file of the monitoring data.
After executing the recovery operation, your monitoring data will be restored to the state it was in at the time of backup.

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- [VictoriaMetrics official documentation](#) ↗
- [Best Practices for Data Backup](#) ↗
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The platform supports collecting network data from custom-named network interfaces by modifying the configuration of the monitoring component, enabling you to view the network traffic information for these interfaces on the monitoring page.

Use Case

This is applicable when your nodes use custom-named network interfaces (not following the `eth.|en.|wl.*|ww.*` naming conventions) and require monitoring of these interfaces' network traffic data in the platform.

Prerequisites

- A workload cluster has been created
- You have platform administrator permissions
- The naming conventions for the custom network interfaces are known

Procedures

1. Click the CLI tool icon in the top navigation bar of the platform.
2. Click **global**.
3. In the `global` cluster, find the moduleinfo resource name corresponding to your workload cluster:

```
kubectl get moduleinfo | grep -E 'prometheus|victoriametrics'
```

Example output:

```
global-6448ef7f7e5e3924c1629fad826372e7      global      prometheus
prometheus                                     Running    v3.15.0-zz231204040711-9d
1fc12474c2   v3.15.0-zz231204040711-9d1fc12474c2   v3.15.0-zz2312040407
11-9d1fc12474c2
ovn-0954f21f0359720e8c115804376b3e7e      ovn      prometheus
prometheus                                     Running    v3.15.0-zz231204040711-9d
1fc12474c2   v3.15.0-zz231204040711-9d1fc12474c2   v3.15.0-zz2312040407
11-9d1fc12474c2
```

4. Edit the moduleinfo resource of the workload cluster:

```
kubectl edit moduleinfo <moduleinfo resource name of the workload cluster>
```

5. Add or modify the valuesOverride field:

```
spec:
  valuesOverride:# If this field does not exist, you need to add the valuesOverride field under spec along with the parameters below
  ait/chart-cpaas-monitor:
    global:
      indicator:
        networkDevice: eth.*|em.*|en.*|wl.*|ww.*|[A-Z].*i|custom_interface # Replace custom_interface with the custom regular expression to ensure correct matching of the network interface name
```

6. After waiting for 10 minutes, check the network-related charts on the node's monitoring page to ensure the changes have taken effect.

Operation Results

Once the configuration is effective, you can view the following data of the custom-named network interfaces on the platform's monitoring page:

- Network traffic data
- Network throughput
- Network packet statistics

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- For more information on network monitoring, please refer to the [Monitoring Architecture Documentation](#)

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Plan and configure infra nodes for the Monitoring plugins. Use plugin configuration to place Monitoring workloads on infra nodes instead of patching generated workloads after installation.

Supported Configuration Methods

- For **ACP Monitoring with Prometheus**, configure placement either in the console through **Advanced Configuration** or in YAML through `spec.config.components.nodeSelector` and `spec.config.components.tolerations` in [Installation](#).
- For **ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics**, configure placement either in the console through **Advanced Configuration** or in YAML through `spec.config.components.nodeSelector` and `spec.config.components.tolerations` in [Installation](#).

Do not use patching generated Deployments, StatefulSets, or other plugin-managed workloads as the standard way to place Monitoring workloads on infra nodes.

Before You Configure Placement

Before configuring placement, ensure the following conditions are met:

- Plan the infra nodes according to [Cluster Node Planning](#).
- Confirm whether your storage uses `LocalVolume` or other persistent volumes with `spec.nodeAffinity`.
- Make sure the selected infra nodes satisfy both the scheduling rules and the storage placement constraints.

Configure Placement in the Console

Prometheus

When installing or upgrading **ACP Monitoring with Prometheus** from the console, expand **Advanced Configuration** and configure the following fields:

Console field	Description
Node Selectors	Sets plugin-level node selector rules for the Prometheus workloads.
Node Tolerations	Sets plugin-level toleration rules for the Prometheus workloads.

VictoriaMetrics

When installing or upgrading **ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics** from the console, expand **Advanced Configuration** and configure the following fields:

Console field	Description
Node Selectors	Sets plugin-level node selector rules for the VictoriaMetrics workloads.
Node Tolerations	Sets plugin-level toleration rules for the VictoriaMetrics workloads.

Configure Placement in YAML

Prometheus

If you want the Prometheus plugin workloads to run on dedicated infra nodes, configure plugin-level scheduling rules during installation or upgrade.

Example:

```
spec:
  config:
    components:
      nodeSelector:
        - key: kubernetes.io/os
          value: linux
      tolerations:
        - effect: NoSchedule
          key: node-role.kubernetes.io/infra
          operator: Exists
```

VictoriaMetrics

If you want the VictoriaMetrics plugin workloads to run on dedicated infra nodes, configure plugin-level scheduling rules during installation or upgrade.

Example:

```
spec:
  config:
    components:
      nodeSelector:
        - key: kubernetes.io/os
          value: linux
      tolerations:
        - effect: NoSchedule
          key: node-role.kubernetes.io/infra
          operator: Exists
```

When `storage.type` is `LocalVolume`, you can select one or more nodes. Make sure every selected storage node also matches the configured node selector rules.

Troubleshooting

Monitoring workloads are still scheduled on general nodes

Check the following items:

- The target nodes have the expected labels.
- The configured tolerations match the taints on the infra nodes.
- The plugin has been upgraded or re-applied with the latest scheduling configuration.

Monitoring workloads cannot be scheduled on the selected infra nodes

This issue usually indicates that the selected nodes do not satisfy one or more scheduling or storage constraints.

Common causes:

- The infra nodes do not have the labels referenced by `nodeSelector`.
- The infra nodes have taints that are not covered by the configured tolerations.
- The selected `LocalVolume` nodes or PV `nodeAffinity` rules point to nodes outside the infra node group.

Learn More

- [Installation](#)
- [Monitor Component Capacity Planning](#)

Subsequent Actions

- Verify that the Monitoring workloads are running on the expected infra nodes.
- Review whether the selected infra nodes still meet your capacity planning targets.



Configure Fleet Monitoring

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Overview

Fleet Monitoring uses two services:

- **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** runs on the Global cluster and enables the Global side of Fleet Monitoring.
- **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** runs on every cluster that you want to include in Fleet Monitoring.

After Fleet Monitoring is enabled, connected clusters write fleet-level metrics to the Global VictoriaMetrics storage. The built-in Fleet Monitoring dashboards use these metrics to display fleet health, resource usage, data freshness, and project quota usage.

Before You Begin

Before configuring Fleet Monitoring, make sure the following requirements are met:

- You have platform administrator permissions or the required permissions to install Operators and create the Fleet Monitoring resources.
- The Global cluster has an available remote write endpoint for Fleet Monitoring data. VictoriaMetrics with a write endpoint is supported. Prometheus or Thanos-based Monitoring can also work if the endpoint exposed by the Monitoring feature accepts remote write traffic.
- Each cluster that you want to connect is managed by the Global cluster.
- Each cluster that you want to connect has the Monitoring feature enabled.
- The Fleet Monitoring Operator packages have been pushed to the required clusters or are already available in OperatorHub. Fleet Monitoring is delivered as Agnostic Operators and is not included by default with the platform installation.
- The New Web Console plugin deployment capability is available. Fleet Monitoring Operators are deployed through the New Web Console OperatorHub workflow. For more

information, see [Install the New Web Console](#).

Push Fleet Monitoring Operator Packages

Before installing Fleet Monitoring from OperatorHub, push the Fleet Monitoring Operator packages with `violet`.

Push **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** to the Global cluster:

```
violet push <path/to/fleet-monitoring-central-service-operator-package> \
  --platform-address "https://<your-platform-domain>" \
  --platform-token "<platform_token>" \
  --clusters "global"
```

Push **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** to every cluster where the Cluster Service will be installed. If the Global cluster also needs to be included in Fleet Monitoring data, include `global` in the cluster list:

```
violet push <path/to/fleet-monitoring-cluster-service-operator-package> \
  --platform-address "https://<your-platform-domain>" \
  --platform-token "<platform_token>" \
  --clusters "global,<workload-cluster-1>,<workload-cluster-2>"
```

After the package is pushed, the corresponding Operator appears in **Marketplace** > **OperatorHub** on the selected cluster. For more information about `violet push`, see [Upload Packages](#).

Enable Fleet Monitoring on the Global Cluster

1. Go to **Administrator**.
2. In the left navigation bar, click **Marketplace** > **OperatorHub**.
3. At the top of the page, select the `global` cluster.
4. Search for **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service**.

5. If the Operator status is not **Installed**, click **Install** and keep the default installation configuration unless your environment requires a different channel, namespace, or upgrade strategy.

Parameter	Recommended configuration
Channel	Use the default channel provided by the Operator package.
Installation Mode	<code>Cluster</code> . The Operator manages Fleet Monitoring resources for the cluster.
Installation Place	Use the recommended namespace provided by the Operator package.
Upgrade Strategy	<code>Manual</code> , unless your platform upgrade policy requires automatic upgrades.

6. Verify that **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is **Installed** in OperatorHub.
If you select the `Manual` upgrade strategy and OperatorHub shows a pending install plan, approve the install plan to complete the installation.
7. Verify that the Global cluster has an available VictoriaMetrics write endpoint.
Fleet Monitoring uses the Global VictoriaMetrics write endpoint to receive data from connected clusters. If the Global cluster has only Prometheus or Thanos Query available, the connected clusters cannot write Fleet Monitoring data to the Global cluster.
8. Create the `FleetMonitoringHub` resource on the Global cluster.

```
apiVersion: monitoring.alauda.io/v1alpha1
kind: FleetMonitoringHub
metadata:
  name: fleet-monitoring-hub
spec: {}
```

`FleetMonitoringHub` is a cluster-scoped resource. Do not set `metadata.namespace`.

Field	Required	Description
<code>metadata.name</code>	Yes	Must be <code>fleet-monitoring-hub</code> .
<code>metadata.namespace</code>	No	Do not set this field. <code>FleetMonitoringHub</code> is cluster-scoped.
<code>spec</code>	Yes	Use an empty object <code>{}</code> . Creating the resource enables the Global side of Fleet Monitoring.

9. Verify the `FleetMonitoringHub` status.

```
kubectl get fleetmonitoringhub fleet-monitoring-hub -o yaml
```

Check that the following conditions are ready:

Condition	Description
<code>ConfigurationReady</code>	The Global storage and database information are available.
<code>DashboardsReady</code>	Built-in Fleet Monitoring dashboards are applied.
<code>GlobalRulesReady</code>	Global recording rules are applied.

You can also check the phase:

```
kubectl get fleetmonitoringhub fleet-monitoring-hub -o jsonpath='{.status.phase}'
```

The expected phase is `Ready`.

Connect a Cluster to Fleet Monitoring

Repeat the following steps on every cluster that you want to include in Fleet Monitoring.

1. Go to **Administrator**.
2. In the left navigation bar, click **Marketplace > OperatorHub**.
3. At the top of the page, select the target cluster.
4. Search for **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service**.
5. If the Operator status is not **Installed**, click **Install** and keep the default installation configuration unless your environment requires a different channel, namespace, or upgrade strategy.

Parameter	Recommended configuration
Channel	Use the default channel provided by the Operator package.
Installation Mode	<code>Cluster</code> . The Operator manages Fleet Monitoring resources for the selected cluster.
Installation Place	Use the recommended namespace provided by the Operator package.
Upgrade Strategy	<code>Manual</code> , unless your platform upgrade policy requires automatic upgrades.

6. Verify that **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** is **Installed** in OperatorHub.
If you select the `Manual` upgrade strategy and OperatorHub shows a pending install plan, approve the install plan to complete the installation.
7. Create the `FleetMonitoringAgent` resource on the target cluster.

```

apiVersion: monitoring.alauda.io/v1alpha1
kind: FleetMonitoringAgent
metadata:
  name: fleet-monitoring-agent
spec:
  interval: 5m

```

`FleetMonitoringAgent` is a cluster-scoped resource. Do not set `metadata.namespace`.

Field	Required	Description
<code>metadata.name</code>	Yes	Must be <code>fleet-monitoring-agent</code> .
<code>metadata.namespace</code>	No	Do not set this field. <code>FleetMonitoringAgent</code> is cluster-scoped.
<code>spec.interval</code>	No	Collection interval. Supported values are <code>5m</code> , <code>10m</code> , <code>15m</code> , and <code>30m</code> . The default is <code>5m</code> .

To include the Global cluster itself in Fleet Monitoring data, also install **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** on the Global cluster and create a `FleetMonitoringAgent` resource there.

8. Verify the `FleetMonitoringAgent` status.

```
kubectl get fleetmonitoringagent fleet-monitoring-agent -o yaml
```

Check the following conditions:

Condition	Description
<code>ConfigurationReady</code>	The cluster name, local Monitoring access information, and database information are available.
<code>ResourcesApplied</code>	Fleet Monitoring resources, such as rules and workload resources, are applied.
<code>Ready</code>	The cluster is ready to write Fleet Monitoring data, or the cluster is intentionally skipped for a supported reason.

You can also check the phase and the detected cluster name:

```
kubectl get fleetmonitoringagent fleet-monitoring-agent -o jsonpath='{Phase: {.status.phase}}{"\n"}Cluster: {.status.cluster}}{"\n"}'
```

The expected phase is `Ready`. Common `Ready` reasons are:

- `WorkloadReady` : The cluster deploys a VMAgent and is ready to write Fleet Monitoring data.
- `SkippedForGlobal` : The cluster is the Global cluster, so the Cluster Service skips deploying a VMAgent back to the same Global storage.
- `SkippedBackendReuse` : The cluster reuses the Global VictoriaMetrics backend, so the Cluster Service skips deploying a Fleet Monitoring VMAgent to avoid a write loop.

If the target cluster writes data to the Global storage, verify that the database information is available:

```
kubectl -n <fleet-monitoring-namespace> get secret fleet-monitoring-database
```

Replace `<fleet-monitoring-namespace>` with the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** is installed.

9. Open **Platform > Observe > Fleet Monitoring** and verify that the cluster appears in the dashboard data.

Configure the Collection Interval

The collection interval is configured on the `FleetMonitoringAgent` resource of each connected cluster.

Supported values:

- `5m`
- `10m`
- `15m`
- `30m`

Example:

```
apiVersion: monitoring.alauda.io/v1alpha1
kind: FleetMonitoringAgent
metadata:
  name: fleet-monitoring-agent
spec:
  interval: 10m
```

After you update `spec.interval`, the Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service reconciles the local collection configuration.

On clusters that deploy a Fleet Monitoring VMAgent, the VMAgent collection interval follows `spec.interval`, while Fleet Monitoring recording rules continue to evaluate at the system-managed interval used for federation. On the Global cluster and on clusters that reuse the Global VictoriaMetrics backend, where no Fleet Monitoring VMAgent is deployed, local Fleet Monitoring rules follow `spec.interval`.

Configure Custom Metrics and Recording Rules

Fleet Monitoring includes built-in metrics and recording rules. Cluster administrators can append custom metrics and recording rules on each connected cluster.

Use the following workflow when you want to report a user-defined metric into Fleet Monitoring:

1. On the connected workload cluster, define a local Fleet recording rule that converts the source metric into a Fleet metric name.
2. Add that recorded metric name to the Fleet allowlist so the Fleet Monitoring VMAgent federates and remote-writes it to the Global cluster.
3. If you need a Fleet-level rollup such as a 1-hour aggregate, add a separate custom Hub-side `PrometheusRule` on the Global cluster.
4. Verify the recorded metric and rollup metric by using Fleet Monitoring queries or dashboards.

Decide Whether You Need Agent-side Rules Only or Both Agent-side and Hub-side Rules

Choose one of the following patterns:

- Use only the connected-cluster ConfigMap when you need the raw Fleet metric on the Global cluster and can query it directly.
- Use both the connected-cluster ConfigMap and a Global-cluster custom `PrometheusRule` when you also need Fleet-level rollups such as 1-hour aggregates for dashboards or long-range views.

Example target:

- Source metric on the connected cluster: `node_load15`
- Fleet metric recorded on the connected cluster: `fleet:node:node_load15:avg`
- Optional 1-hour rollup on the Global cluster:
`fleet:node:node_load15:avg:avg_over_time_1h`

Configure the Connected Cluster

Create or update the `fleet-monitoring-custom-metrics` ConfigMap in the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** is installed on the connected cluster.

This ConfigMap has two roles:

- `metrics.yaml` adds metric names to the Fleet Monitoring VMAgent federate allowlist.
- `recording-rules-prometheus.yaml` or `recording-rules-victoriametrics.yaml` defines the local recording rule that produces the Fleet metric.

Example:

```

apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: fleet-monitoring-custom-metrics
  namespace: <fleet-monitoring-namespace>
data:
  metrics.yaml: |
    default:
      - fleet:node:node_load15:avg
  recording-rules-prometheus.yaml: |
    groups:
      - name: fmval-custom
        rules:
          - record: fleet:node:node_load15:avg
            expr: avg by (node) (node_load15)
  recording-rules-victoriametrics.yaml: |
    groups:
      - name: fmval-custom
        rules:
          - record: fleet:node:node_load15:avg
            expr: avg by (node) (node_load15)

```

Replace `<fleet-monitoring-namespace>` with the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** is installed.

`metrics.yaml` appends metric names to the built-in allowlist.

For recording rules, the Cluster Service loads only the key that matches the local Monitoring stack:

- `recording-rules-prometheus.yaml` on Prometheus-based clusters
- `recording-rules-victoriametrics.yaml` on VictoriaMetrics-based clusters

Custom configuration can append metrics and rules. It does not remove or override built-in defaults.

If the ConfigMap has an invalid format or contains invalid rules, Fleet Monitoring keeps the built-in defaults and reports the error in the `FleetMonitoringAgent` status.

In a connected workload cluster that deploys a Fleet Monitoring VMAgent, the Agent reconciler normalizes the rendered Fleet Monitoring recording-rule group interval to `1m`. Do not rely on a custom interval value in the ConfigMap to control the final rendered local Fleet Monitoring rule interval.

For custom Fleet metrics, use the Fleet naming convention for the recorded metric, for example `fleet:node:node_load15:avg`. This keeps the metric compatible with Fleet Monitoring dashboards, rollups, and query patterns.

Fleet Monitoring queries and dashboards require the recorded time series to carry the `cluster` label. The Agent reconciler automatically adds `cluster=<local-cluster-name>` to rendered Fleet Monitoring recording rules when the rule does not already define that label.

Verify the Connected-cluster Rendering

After you update the ConfigMap, the Fleet Monitoring Agent automatically reconciles the local rule and VMAgent configuration. No restart is required.

Check the rendered local rule:

```
kubectl -n <fleet-monitoring-namespace> get prometheusrule fleet-monitoring-agent-recording-rules -o yaml
```

Confirm that:

- the custom group appears in `spec.groups`
- the custom recorded metric appears in the rule list
- the rendered rule carries `labels.cluster=<connected-cluster-name>`

Check the rendered VMAgent federate allowlist:

```
kubectl -n <fleet-monitoring-namespace> get configmap fleet-monitoring-vmaagent -o yaml
```

Confirm that the custom recorded metric appears in `data.prometheus.yaml` under `params.match[]`.

Add a Custom Hub Rollup Rule

If you want a custom Fleet metric to have a Fleet-level rollup such as a 1-hour aggregate, create a separate `PrometheusRule` on the Global cluster in the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is installed.

Example:

```
apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: PrometheusRule
metadata:
  name: fmval-custom-hub-rollup
  namespace: <fleet-monitoring-namespace>
  labels:
    prometheus: kube-prometheus
    rule.cpaas.io/is-record: "true"
    alert.cpaas.io/owner: System
    alert.cpaas.io/project: ""
    monitoring.alauda.io/hub: fleet-monitoring-hub
spec:
  groups:
    - name: fmval-custom-rollup-1h
      interval: 1h
      rules:
        - record: fleet:node:node_load15:avg:avg_over_time_1h
          expr: avg_over_time(fleet:node:node_load15:avg[1h])
```

Replace `<fleet-monitoring-namespace>` with the namespace where **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is installed.

This custom `PrometheusRule` is additive. It does not need to copy the built-in Hub rules and should not be created with Fleet Monitoring operator ownership metadata.

Verify the Hub-side Rollup

Check the custom Hub-side rule:

```
kubectl -n <fleet-monitoring-namespace> get prometheusrule fmval-custom-hub-rollup -o yaml
```

Confirm that:

- the rule exists on the Global cluster
- the rule uses the expected Fleet metric as input
- the rollup output metric name matches the dashboard or query expression you plan to use

Query the Custom Fleet Metric

When querying Fleet metrics through the platform Monitoring API or Fleet Monitoring dashboards, explicitly include `vmcluster=~".*"` in the selector. In the current platform query path, omitting this selector can cause the query proxy to narrow the query to the Global monitoring backend and return no Fleet data for connected clusters.

Example queries:

- Raw custom Fleet metric:

```
avg_over_time(fleet:node:node_load15:avg{vmcluster=~".*"},cluster="g1-c1")[1h])
```

- 1-hour rollup metric:

```
last_over_time(fleet:node:node_load15:avg:avg_over_time_1h{vmcluster=~".*"},cluster="g1-c1")[2h])
```

Common Mistakes

Watch for the following issues:

- Creating `fleet-monitoring-custom-metrics` in `cpaas-system` when Fleet Monitoring is installed in another namespace such as `fleet-monitoring`

- Adding the source metric name to `metrics.yaml` instead of the recorded Fleet metric name
- Defining the local recording rule but not adding the recorded Fleet metric name to `metrics.yaml`
- Expecting a custom interval in the connected-cluster ConfigMap to remain effective after rendering
- Querying Fleet metrics without `vmcluster=~".*"` in the selector
- Expecting a Global Fleet rollup metric before creating the corresponding custom Hub-side rule

Verify Data Freshness

After clusters are connected, open **Platform > Observe > Fleet Monitoring** and check the following information on the overview dashboard:

- **Connected Clusters**
- **Stale Clusters**
- **Last Write Ago**
- **Data Freshness Exceptions**

If a cluster appears in the **Cluster** variable but is not counted as connected, the cluster can be known to the platform but not writing Fleet Monitoring data. Check whether the cluster has **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** installed from OperatorHub and has a ready `FleetMonitoringAgent`.

Troubleshooting

No Fleet Monitoring data is displayed

Check the following items:

- **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Central Service** is installed on the Global cluster.

- The `FleetMonitoringHub` resource exists and has ready conditions.
- The Global cluster has an available VictoriaMetrics storage and write endpoint. Prometheus-only Monitoring cannot receive Fleet Monitoring remote write data.
- Built-in dashboards and Global rules are applied.

A cluster is missing from Connected Clusters

Check the following items on the target cluster:

- **Alauda Container Platform Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service** is installed.
- The `FleetMonitoringAgent` resource exists.
- The cluster is managed by the Global cluster.
- The Monitoring feature is enabled on the cluster.
- The `FleetMonitoringAgent` status does not report missing database information or invalid Monitoring feature information.
- The `fleet-monitoring-database` Secret contains a `remoteWriteURL` that points to the Global VictoriaMetrics write endpoint.
- The `fleet-monitoring-vmagent` logs do not report remote write errors. If the logs show `405 Method Not Allowed`, the `remoteWriteURL` can be pointing to a Prometheus or Thanos Query endpoint instead of the VictoriaMetrics write endpoint.

A custom dashboard does not appear in Fleet Monitoring

Check whether the dashboard was created on the Global cluster and the dashboard resource in the `cpaas-system` namespace has the following label:

```
cpaas.io/dashboard.tag.fleet-monitoring: "true"
```

Dashboards without this label do not have the `fleet-monitoring` tag and are not listed in the Fleet Monitoring **Switch** list.

Data freshness is abnormal

Check the following items:

- The connected cluster is running.
- The Fleet Monitoring Cluster Service pods are healthy.
- The local Monitoring component on the connected cluster is healthy.
- The connected cluster can write data to the Global VictoriaMetrics storage.
- The `FleetMonitoringAgent` status does not report configuration or resource application errors.

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Migrate MonitorDashboard to Perses

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Overview

Starting from Alauda Container Platform 4.4, Perses monitoring dashboards are available alongside the existing MonitorDashboard capability. You can migrate existing MonitorDashboard resources to PersesDashboard resources and render them from **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)**.

The migration converts the Grafana-style MonitorDashboard model to the PersesDashboard model. The source MonitorDashboard is retained and remains available from the existing monitoring dashboard entry.

Migration is selective. You choose the MonitorDashboard resources to migrate and trigger the conversion by adding a migration label with `kubectl`.

Prerequisites

Before migrating dashboards, make sure the following requirements are met:

- The target cluster has installed **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard for Perses**.
- The `global` cluster has installed **Alauda Container Platform Dashboard Essentials**.
- You have read permission for the source MonitorDashboard resources.
- You have create or write permission for the target PersesDashboard resources.

For component installation, see [Installation](#).

Migrate a Dashboard

Migration is triggered by adding the `cpaas.io/migrate-to-perses=true` label to a MonitorDashboard resource.

1. List MonitorDashboard resources and identify the dashboard that you want to migrate.

```
kubectl get monitordashboards.ait.alauda.io -A
```

2. Add the migration label to the MonitorDashboard resource.

```
kubectl label monitordashboards.ait.alauda.io <name> -n <namespace> cpaas.io/migrate-to-perses=true
```

3. Verify that the PersesDashboard resource is generated.

The generated PersesDashboard is named `<source-monitor-dashboard-name>-pd`.

```
kubectl get persesdashboards.perses.dev <name>-pd -n <namespace>
```

4. In the console, go to **Operations Center > Monitor > Dashboards (Perses)** and verify that the migrated dashboard is listed and can be opened.

INFO

- To migrate multiple dashboards, run the label command for each dashboard. You can migrate dashboards in batches.
- Migration does not delete or modify the source MonitorDashboard. The original dashboard and entry remain available.
- The user running the command must have permission to read MonitorDashboard resources and write PersesDashboard resources.

Conversion Rules

The migration tool converts MonitorDashboard content to the PersesDashboard model.

Conversion item	Description
Chart types	Grafana-style chart types are mapped to Perses chart types, such as Time Series Chart, Stat Chart, Gauge Chart, Bar Chart, Pie Chart, and Table. Unsupported chart types are retained as placeholder Markdown panels.
Queries	Queries are rewritten to use the platform metric query gateway <code>observe-api</code> . The dashboard does not expose data source selection.
Display name and metadata	The display name, description, tags, and folder information are carried over when available.
Instant queries	Instant-value queries are converted to ACP Courier Instant Query .

Import Grafana JSON

If you have Grafana dashboard JSON instead of a MonitorDashboard resource, you can import it from [Perses Monitoring Dashboards](#). Open the **Create** drop-down menu, select

Import dashboard, and provide the JSON content.

Grafana JSON import uses a lossy Grafana-to-Perses conversion. Only chart types and functions supported by the current platform version are preserved.

After Migration

- The generated Perses dashboard is an editable custom dashboard.
- The source MonitorDashboard remains available from the existing monitoring dashboard entry.
- If a source dashboard does not contain the `cpaas.io/display-name` annotation, the migrated dashboard may show the Kubernetes resource name in the Perses dashboard list. This does not affect rendering or metric queries.

Related Operations

- [Perses Monitoring Dashboards](#)
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Distributed Tracing

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About Distributed Tracing

Alauda Distributed Tracing records how a single request travels across services in a distributed application. It helps teams follow request paths end to end, understand latency across service boundaries, and troubleshoot failures in cloud-native microservice environments.

In a microservices architecture, one user action often triggers work across multiple services, databases, message queues, and infrastructure components. Distributed tracing correlates these units of work into a single trace so operators can analyze the full execution path instead of inspecting each service in isolation.

A trace represents the complete path of a request through the system. Each trace contains one or more spans, and each span records a logical unit of work, including the operation name, start time, duration, and related metadata. Parent-child span relationships show how upstream and downstream operations are connected.

Alauda Distributed Tracing provides the following capabilities:

- **End-to-end request visibility** for viewing the complete execution path of distributed transactions
- **Latency analysis** for identifying slow services, operations, or downstream dependencies
- **Root cause analysis** for locating failures across service boundaries
- **Scalable trace storage and query** based on Jaeger with multiple backends

Alauda Distributed Tracing works with Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry to receive, process, and forward trace data by using open telemetry standards such as OTLP. It can also integrate with Alauda Service Mesh so service-to-service traffic and trace data can be analyzed together during troubleshooting.

Note

Because Alauda Distributed Tracing releases on a different cadence from Alauda Container Platform, the Alauda Distributed Tracing documentation is now available as a separate documentation set at [Alauda Distributed Tracing ↗](#).



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Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry

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About Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry

Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry is based on the open source [OpenTelemetry](#)  project and provides a standardized, vendor-neutral way to collect telemetry data from cloud-native applications. It helps teams build consistent observability pipelines for traces, metrics, and logs without binding application instrumentation to a single backend.

The OpenTelemetry Collector is the core runtime for receiving, processing, and exporting telemetry data. It can run close to workloads as an agent or serve as a centralized gateway, making it suitable for both application-level instrumentation and platform-level telemetry pipelines.

Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry provides the following capabilities:

- **Multi-signal collection** for traces, metrics, and logs
- **Protocol and format translation** for connecting different telemetry sources and backends
- **Telemetry processing** for enriching, filtering, batching, and transforming data before export
- **Flexible export destinations** for forwarding telemetry data to observability backends such as distributed tracing systems
- **Auto-instrumentation support** for reducing the amount of manual code changes required to collect basic telemetry

By placing OpenTelemetry between workloads and observability backends, teams can decouple application instrumentation from backend implementation details. This makes it easier to standardize telemetry collection across clusters, migrate between backends, and control telemetry traffic before data is stored or queried.

Note

Because Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry v2 releases on a different cadence from Alauda Container Platform, the Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry v2 documentation is now available as a separate documentation set at [Alauda Build of OpenTelemetry v2 ↗](#).



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The Logging module is a core component of the ACP platform's observability suite that provides comprehensive log management capabilities for efficient and reliable log processing.

This module delivers four essential logging capabilities:

- **Log collection** for automated gathering of logs from applications, containers, and infrastructure components
- **Log storage** for scalable and durable persistence using ElasticSearch and ClickHouse backends
- **Log querying** for fast and flexible search across large volumes of log data

By integrating these capabilities with powerful open-source components like Filebeat, ElasticSearch, and ClickHouse, it enables organizations to efficiently handle massive log volumes, accelerate troubleshooting, ensure compliance requirements, and gain valuable operational insights in real time.

Note

Because Logging Service releases on a different cadence from Alauda Container Platform, the Logging Service documentation is now available as a separate documentation set at [Logging Service ↗](#).

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The platform integrates with Kubernetes events, logging significant status changes and various operational state changes of Kubernetes resources. It also provides capabilities for storage, querying, and visualization. When abnormalities occur with resources such as clusters, nodes, or Pods, users can analyze events to determine specific causes.

Based on the root causes identified from the events, users can [create alert policies](#) for workloads. When the number of critical events reaches the alert threshold, alerts can be automatically triggered to notify relevant personnel for timely intervention, thereby reducing operational risks on the platform.

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This feature relies on the logging service. Please ensure that the ACP Log Essentials , ACP Log Collector and ACP Log Storage plugins are installed within the platform beforehand.

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1. Click on **Operations Center** > **Events** in the left navigation bar.

Tip: Switch the cluster to view events using the dropdown selection box in the top navigation bar.

Event Overview

The events page displays an overview of significant events that occurred in the last 30 minutes by default (you can choose or customize the time range), as well as records of resource events.

- **Significant Event Overview:** This card shows the reason for significant events and the number of resources that experienced such events within the selected time range.
 - **Note:** When the same resource experiences this type of event multiple times, the resource count will not accumulate.

- For example: If the resource count for node restart events is 20, it indicates that within the selected time range, 20 resources encountered such events, and the same resource may have experienced it multiple times.
- **Resource Event Records:** Below the significant event overview area, all event records that meet the query conditions within the selected time range are displayed. You can filter for respective types of events by clicking on the significant event card, or you can expand the view and input query conditions to search. The query conditions are as follows:
 - **Resource Type:** The type of Kubernetes resource that experienced the event, e.g., Pod.
 - **Namespace:** The namespace of the Kubernetes resource where the event occurred.
 - **Event Reason:** The reason for the occurrence of the event.
 - **Event Level:** The significance of the event, such as Warning.
 - **Resource Name:** The name of the Kubernetes resource that experienced the event. Multiple names can be selected or entered.

TIP

- Click the view icon next to the resource name in the event record to view detailed information about the event in the pop-up **Event Details** dialog.
- The color of the icon to the left of the event reason indicates the event level. A green icon indicates that the level of this event is **Normal**, and this event can be ignored; an orange icon signifies that the level of this event is **Warning**, indicating that there is an anomaly with the resource and this event should be monitored to prevent incidents.

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The Inspection module is a core component of the ACP platform's observability suite that provides automated inspection and assessment capabilities for comprehensive resource monitoring and risk management.

This module delivers four essential inspection capabilities:

- **Resource inspection** for automated assessment of clusters, nodes, pods, certificates, and other platform resources to identify risks and usage patterns
- **Real-time monitoring** for live tracking of inspection task progress and immediate visibility into resource operational status
- **Visual reporting** for intuitive display of inspection results including resource risks, usage information, and operational insights
- **Report generation** for downloadable inspection reports in PDF or Excel formats with comprehensive analysis and recommendations

By integrating these capabilities with role-based access controls and automated assessment algorithms, it enables organizations to reduce manual inspection costs, proactively identify resource anomalies, mitigate business risks, and maintain optimal platform performance through systematic health assessments.

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- Some inspection items on the platform depend on clusters having monitoring components installed. Please ensure that each cluster has either the ACP Monitoring with Prometheus plugin or the ACP Monitoring with VictoriaMetrics plugin installed in advance.
- The platform inspection supports sending inspection results via email. Please ensure that the email notification server configuration has been completed in advance.

With the container platform's inspection functionality, users can manage and maintain the container environment more efficiently, enhancing system stability and security.

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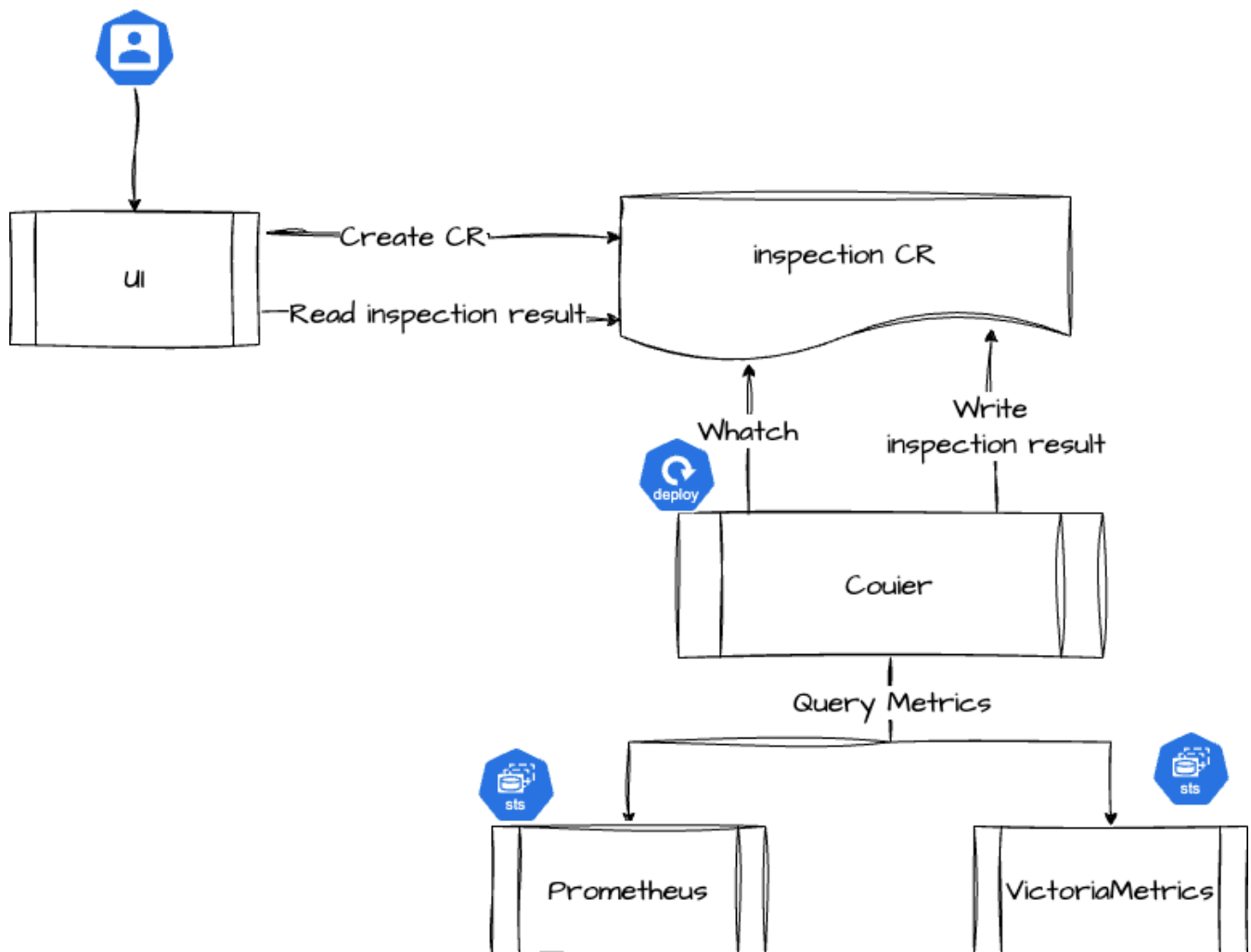
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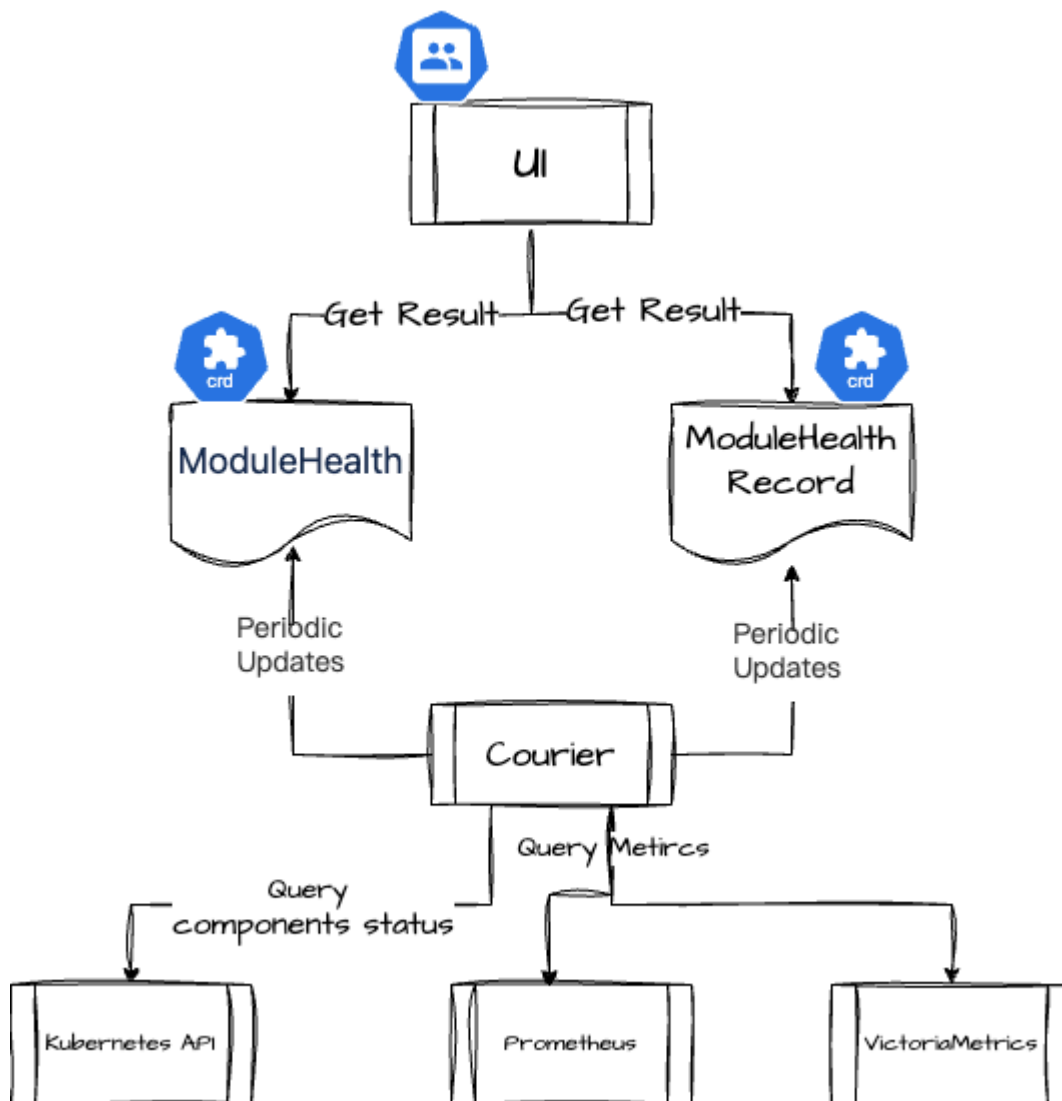
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The inspection module is jointly provided by the platform component Courier and the monitoring component, involving the following business processes:

- Create inspection task: The platform submits an inspection-type CR to the `global` cluster.
- Execute inspection task: The Courier component monitors the generation of inspection-type CRs and queries the monitoring components of each cluster for various metric data related to the inspection.
- Write inspection results: After the Courier component completes the evaluation of each inspection item, it will write the inspection results back into the corresponding inspection CR.
- View inspection results: Users can check the status and results of inspection tasks through the platform, where data will be obtained from the corresponding inspection CR.

Component Health Status



Component health status is jointly provided by the platform component Courier and the monitoring component, involving the following business processes:

- **Predefined component monitoring list:** The platform has predefined two types of CRDs in the `global` cluster to define the list of components to be monitored and the monitoring methods:
 - **ModuleHealth:** Defines the components that need to be monitored and the monitoring methods.
 - **ModuleHealthRecord:** Defines the monitoring results of the corresponding components in each cluster.
- **Regularly monitor component status:** Courier will watch ModuleHealth, check the specified functions, and then write the inspection results to the CR resources of ModuleHealth and ModuleHealthRecord.
- **Component status determination:** Courier will request data from Kubernetes and the monitoring components to determine the actual status of the components and any existing

issues.

- Kubernetes: Checks whether the component is installed and whether the number of component replicas is normal.
- Prometheus / VictoriaMetrics: Based on the metrics provided by each component, queries and determines whether the component can provide services normally.
- View component health status: Users can check the health status of each component through the platform, where data will be obtained from the corresponding CR resources of ModuleHealth and ModuleHealthRecord.

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Execute Inspection

1. Click on **Operation Center** > **Inspection** > **Basic Inspection** in the left navigation bar.

Tip: The inspection page displays the inspection data information from the most recent inspection. During the inspection process, you can view the resource data of completed inspections in real-time.

2. On the Basic Inspection page, the following actions are supported:

- **Execute Inspection:** Click the **Inspection** button in the upper right corner of the page to perform an inspection on the platform.
- **Download Inspection Report:** Click the **Download Report** button in the upper right corner of the page, select the report format (PDF and Excel) in the pop-up dialog, and

click to download, which will download the corresponding format report to your local machine.

- The PDF format inspection report does not include resource risk details page data;
- The Excel format inspection report contains all data from the inspection;
- Supports simultaneous download of both formats of reports.

Inspection Configuration

Inspection Configuration	Description
Scheduled Inspection	Automated task execution timing rules, supporting input of Crontab expressions. Tip: Click the input box to expand the platform's preset Trigger Rule Templates , select the appropriate template, and quickly set the trigger rules with simple modifications.
Inspection Record Retention	The number of inspection records to retain.
Email Notification	Select email notification contacts. Note: Notification contacts must have email configured.
Inspection Report Name	The name that will be used by the platform's built-in inspection notification template to notify contacts.
Inspection Configuration Items	Modify the warning thresholds or disable inspection items according to the platform's default inspection items for certificates, cluster hosts, and pods.

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Most Recent Inspection

In the **Most Recent Inspection** information area, you can view relevant information from the most recent inspection:

- **Inspection Time:** The start and end time of the most recent inspection.
- **Total Number of Inspection Resources:** The total number of resources (clusters, nodes, pods, certificates) inspected in the most recent inspection.
- **Risks:** The number of resources at risk, including those classified as **Fault** and **Warning**.

Resource Risk Inspection

In the **Resource Risk Inspection** page, you can view an overview of risk information for **global** clusters, self-built clusters, accessed clusters, and all nodes, pods, and certificates under these clusters.

Click the **Risk Details** button on the card of the corresponding resource type (**Cluster**, **Node**, **pod**, **Certificate**) to enter the risk details page for that resource type. On the details page, you can view the most recent inspection information for the resource, as well as the list of resources with faults and warnings.

- Click on the resource name to jump to the resource details page.
- Click the expand button on the right side of the **Name** field in the list to expand the judgment conditions and reasons for faults and warnings.

For explanations of the risk status judgment criteria (Fault, Warning) for each resource, refer to the table below.

Note: There are multiple conditions used to judge the faults and warnings for each resource type; when the inspection data of the resource matches any one of the judgment conditions, it is considered a piece of risk data.

Resource Type	Inspection Scope	Fault Judgment Conditions	Warning Judgment Conditions
Cluster	- global cluster - Self-built cluster	- Cluster status is Abnormal; - apiserver connection is abnormal	- After the cluster scale (number of nodes/pods/mrtrics) increases, the monitoring component resource configuration has not been

Resource Type	Inspection Scope	Fault Judgment Conditions	Warning Judgment Conditions
	- Accessed cluster		updated. - After the log data volume and log collection frequency increase, the log component resource configuration has not been updated. - Cluster CPU usage exceeds 60%; - Cluster memory usage exceeds 60%; - Any pod in the ETCD component of the cluster is in a non-Running state; - Any host in the cluster is in a non-Ready state; - The time difference between any two nodes in the cluster exceeds 40S; - The CPU request rate of the cluster (actual request value / total) exceeds 60%; - The memory request rate of the cluster (actual request value / total) exceeds 80%; - Monitoring components are not installed in the cluster; - Monitoring components of the cluster are abnormal; - Any pod in the kube-controller-manager component of the cluster is in a non-Running state; - Any pod in the kube-scheduler component of the cluster is in a non-Running state; - Any pod in the kube-apiserver component of the cluster is in a non-Running state.

Resource Type	Inspection Scope	Fault Judgment Conditions	Warning Judgment Conditions
Node	- All control nodes - All compute nodes	- Node status is Abnormal; - The node-exporter component's pod on the node is in a non-Running state; - The kubelet component's pod on the node is in a non-Running state.	- Node's inode free is less than 1000 - Node CPU usage exceeds 60%; - Node memory usage exceeds 60%; - Disk space usage of the node directory exceeds 60%; - Node system load exceeds 200% and runtime exceeds 15 minutes; - At least one NodeDeadlock (node deadlock) event occurred in the past day; - At least one NodeOOM (out of memory) event occurred in the past day; - At least one NodeTaskHung (task hung) event occurred in the past day.
pod	All pods	- pod status is Error; - The pod has been in the starting state for more than 5 minutes.	- Pod CPU usage exceeds 80%; - Pod memory usage exceeds 80%; - The number of restarts of the Pod in the past 5 minutes is greater than or equal to 1.
Certificate	- Certmanager certificates - Kubernetes certificates	Certificate status is Expired .	Certificate's validity period is less than 29 days.

Resource Utilization Inspection

Click on the **Resource Utilization Inspection** tab to enter the **Resource Utilization Inspection** page.

In the **Resource Utilization Inspection** page, you can view the total amount, usage, and usage rate of CPU, memory, and disk of `global` clusters, accessed clusters, and self-built clusters, as well as the number of resources such as clusters, nodes, pods, and projects on the platform.

- **Resource Usage Statistics:** You can view the total amount and total usage rate of CPU, memory, and disk of global, accessed, and self-built clusters.
- **Platform Resource Quantity:** You can view the number of resources running on the platform.

Component Health Status

The platform health status page presents statistical data on the health status of features that have been installed on the platform. When your account has management or auditing permissions related to the platform, you can also view detailed health data for specific features, including: a list of clusters that do not have the feature installed, the health status of clusters that have the feature installed, and detection data for components within clusters associated with the feature. This can help you quickly identify issues and improve the operational efficiency of the platform.

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1. Navigate to the view page of installed products or the platform center (platform management, project management, operations center).
2. Click the question mark button at the top right corner of the navigation bar > **Platform Health Status**.
3. Check the feature card; the feature card displays the health status information of the feature. If there are abnormalities in the feature components, it will be reflected on the card as `fault`.

4. Click on the health/fault value on the feature card to expand the detailed health status page on the right side of the page, where you can view detailed issue information for the faulty components.