

Step 1 - Install and Configure

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Chapter 1

Introduction

Welcome to Step 1, where it all begins. This guide is straightforward and will walk you through everything you need to download, install and configure the Sonatype CLM Server

Chapter 2

Preparation and Installation

2.1 Hardware Prerequisites and Recommendations

Sonatype CLM Server is typically deployed on a dedicated server. More specific hardware requirements are ultimately a function of the deployment architecture, the primary usage patterns and the scale of deployment.

With these influencing factors in mind, we recommend a modern processor speed with at least 8 CPU cores and 8GB of physical RAM for initial setup. A minimum of 6GB of process space should be available to the CLM server. Additional RAM can improve the performance due to decreased disk caching.

As an example a Sonatype CLM Server deployment at Sonatype is using a Dual Intel Xeon E5620 with 2.4Ghz, 12M Cache, 5.86 GT/s QPI, Turbo, HT.

Storage requirements range with the number of applications projected to use the CLM server. For less than 1000 applications 200GB is recommended. Between 1000 and 2000 applications we suggest to use 500GB. Above 2000 applications we suggest to provide 1TB of storage.

Tip

Monitoring disk-space usage will help you gauge the storage needs in your actual deployment and react to growing demands in time.

Sonatype CLM Server is an I/O intensive application and disk speed will affect the performance of the CLM server considerably. We therefore recommend to use local drives or SAN usage. Usage of network mapped storage via NFS or similar is not recommended. It is important to consider the I/O load when running CLM server in a virtual machine, especially when other virtual machines on the same host are running other I/O intensive applications e.g. the Nexus repository manager.

Development, test or evaluation deployments can be scaled smaller than the above recommendations and will continue to function, while a minor performance degradation can be observed.

2.2 Software Requirements

2.2.1 Operating System and Java Runtime Environment

Sonatype CLM server requires a 64bit operating system due to its memory requirements. Otherwise there are no specific requirements besides the availability of a JRE.

Sonatype CLM requires a Java 7 runtime environment, Update 21 or higher from [Oracle](#). We recommend usage of the Server JRE.

A list of supported operating systems for the JRE is available from [Oracle](#).

2.2.2 Browser

The Sonatype CLM Server exposes a web application for administration and configuration as well as for viewing reports. Usage of this application requires Microsoft Internet Explorer 9 or higher or any other modern browser like newer versions of Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome or Apple Safari.

2.3 Download

The latest release of the CLM Server can be downloaded from the [Sonatype support website](#) and is available as `.tar.gz` or `.zip` archive. The contents of the two files are identical and you can choose to download either one. Successful download should result in files named `sonatype-clm-server-xyz-bundle.tar.gz`

or `sonatype-clm-server-xyz-bundle.zip`, where `xyz` is the version of the latest release e.g. `1.9.0-03` or `1.10.2`.

2.4 Installation

After a successful download of the CLM server bundle archive, you should create an installation directory in the desired location and move the archive into the directory.

```
cd /opt
mkdir sonatype-clm-server
mv ~/Downloads/sonatype-clm-server.* sonatype-clm-server/
cd sonatype-clm-server
```

Moving into the directory and extracting the archive with either one of the commands:

```
unzip sonatype-clm-server*.zip
tar xfvz sonatype-clm-server*.tar.gz
```

should result in a directory with the following files:

```
README.txt
config.yml
demo.bat
demo.sh
eula.html
sonatype-clm-server-1.10.2-bundle.tar.gz
sonatype-clm-server-1.10.2.jar
```

2.5 Starting CLM Server

Once the CLM server is installed, it can be started with:

```
cd /opt/sonatype-clm-server
java -jar sonatype-clm-server-1.10.2.jar server config.yml
```

This command will start the server with the Sonatype CLM Server application using the configuration from the `config.yml` file and logging any output straight to the console. After a complete start your

console should display a message similar to:

```
... [main] org.eclipse.jetty.server.AbstractConnector - Started ↔  
InstrumentedBlockingChannelConnector@0.0.0.0:8070  
... [main] org.eclipse.jetty.server.AbstractConnector - Started ↔  
SocketConnector@0.0.0.0:8071
```

The command to start the server can be modified by adding java configurations parameters such as `-Xmx1024m -XX:MaxPermSize=128m` to improve performance and adapt to the server hardware.

At this stage you can access the web application at port 8070 of your server via any web browser. Initial startup will display a screen for the Section 2.6.

2.6 License Installation

Sonatype CLM server requires a license to be installed. The required license file will be supplied to you by the Sonatype support team in the form of a `.lic` file.

Open a web browser and navigate to the CLM server web application at port 8070 to install the license. Opening the URL, e.g. for a localhost deployment at <http://localhost:8070>, displays the Product License Configuration of the CLM server shown in Figure 2.1.

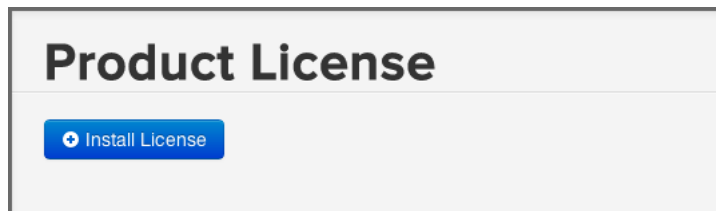


Figure 2.1: Installing a Product License on Sonatype CLM Server

Press the *Install License* button and select the `.lic` file in the file selector. As a next step you are required to accept the end user license agreement shown in Figure 2.2 by pressing the *I Accept* button.

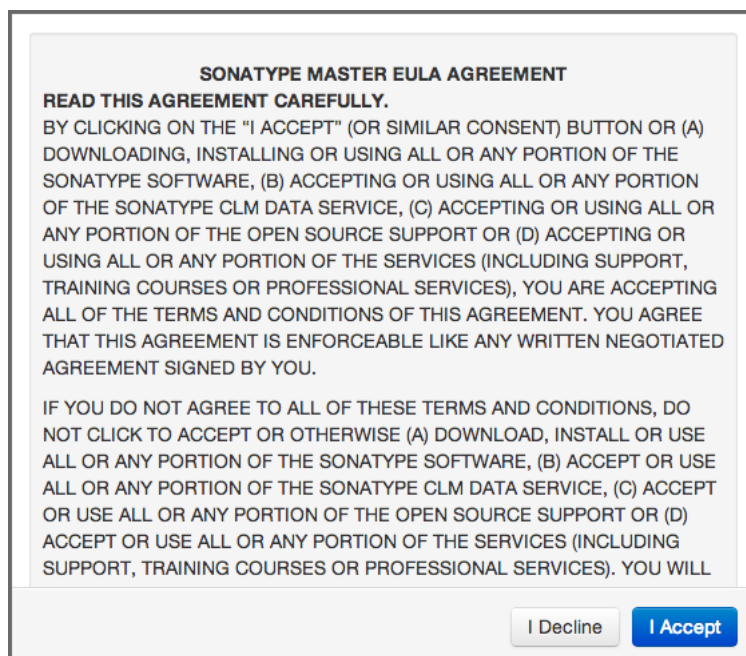


Figure 2.2: Sonatype CLM Server End User License Agreement Window

After a success message you will be redirected to the Product License page, which will now display the expiry date of the license as visible in Figure 2.3.

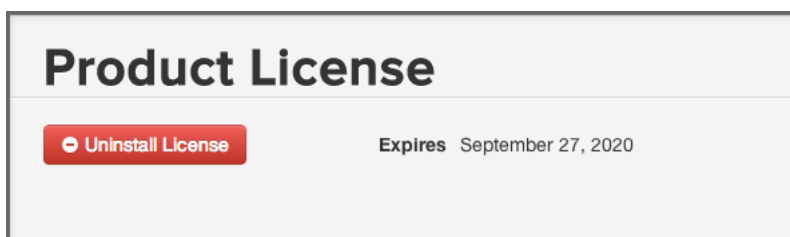


Figure 2.3: Installed Product License on Sonatype CLM Server

2.7 CLM Server Directories

When the Sonatype CLM Server first starts, it creates a directory for the storage of all its data and configuration. This directory is configured in `config.yml` and defaults to `./sonatype-work/clm-server`. This path is relative to the location from which the invoking `java` command is used.

Using the default startup command from the installation directory, causes `sonatype-work/clm-server` to be created within it.

If you would like to separate the installation and data directories you can set the `sonatypeWork` to a different location.

Additionally a `log` directory is created within the installation directory and the `currentLogFilename` parameter in `config.yml` can be used to change the location. Further information on logging configuration can be found in [Section 3.6](#)

2.8 Running CLM Server as a Service

For production usage, we strongly recommend to set up the CLM server as a service or daemon. This will ensure that any operating system reboots will include starting up the CLM server.

A dedicated user for running a service is a well known best practice. This users should have reduced access rights as compared to the root user. Configuration of this user will depend on the operating system and security system used.

Once the user is configured, you need to ensure that full access rights to the CLM server installation directory are granted. An example command to achieve this for a service user with the username `clmservice` is:

```
chown -Rv clmservice /opt/sonatype-clm-server
```

If you have configured the `sonatypeWork` parameter in `config.yml` to point to a different directory, you have to adjust the access rights for it as well.

The principal command for starting the CLM server can be used in a simple startup script as displayed in [Startup Script](#). The `javaopts` variable should be adjusted to suit the hardware used.

Startup Script

```
#!/bin/sh
cd /opt/sonatype-clm-server
javaopts="-Xmx1024m -XX:MaxPermSize=128m"
java $javaopts -jar sonatype-clm-server-1.10.2.jar server config.yml
```

A running server can be stopped with a simple shutdown script in [Shutdown script](#).

Shutdown script

```
#!/bin/sh
pid=`ps aux | grep sonatype-clm-server | grep -v grep | awk '{print $2}'`
kill -9 $pid
```

Typically these approaches are combined to a service script similar to the script listed in [Simplistic Service Script for Unix Systems](#). Saving this script as e.g. `sonatype-clm-server` allows you to start the server with its log running to the current shell with

```
./sonatype-clm-server console
```

Starting as a background process can be initiated with:

```
./sonatype-clm-server start
```

and a running background server can be stopped with:

```
./sonatype-clm-server stop
```

This example script can be improved to be more robust against repeat invocations, long running stops and potentially work better across different Unix flavours, but shows the principal functionality. A similar script can be used for Windows.

Simplistic Service Script for Unix Systems

```
#!/bin/sh

SONATYPE_CLM_SERVER_HOME=/opt/tools/sonatype-clm-server
VERSION=1.10.2
JAVA_OPTIONS="-Xmx1024m -XX:MaxPermSize=128m"
# The user ID which should be used to run the CLM server
```

```
# # IMPORTANT - Make sure that the user has the required privileges to ↵
write into the CLM work directory.
RUN_AS_USER=clm

do_start()
{
    cd $SONATYPE_CLM_SERVER_HOME
    su -m $RUN_AS_USER -c "java -jar $JAVA_OPTIONS sonatype-clm-server- ↵
        $VERSION.jar server config.yml > /dev/null 2>&1 &"
    echo "Started Sonatype CLM Server"
}

do_console()
{
    cd $SONATYPE_CLM_SERVER_HOME
    java -jar $JAVA_OPTIONS sonatype-clm-server-$VERSION.jar server config ↵
        .yml
}

do_stop()
{
    pid=`ps aux | grep sonatype-clm-server | grep -v grep | awk '{print $2 ↵
        }'`
    kill $pid
    echo "Killed Sonatype CLM Server - PID $pid"
}

do_usage()
{
    echo "Usage: clm [console|start|stop]"
}

case $1 in
console) do_console
;;
start) do_start
;;
stop) do_stop
;;
*) do_usage
;;
esac
```

Setting up this script as a startup script will vary between operating systems and distributions depending on the init system used. Generally the script would be copied to a dedicated startup directory and assigned with run-levels and other characteristics for the start up. As an example on a Debian based systems the following commands could be used:

```
sudo su
cp sonatype-clm-server /etc/init.d/
cd /etc/init.d
update-rc.d sonatype-clm-server defaults
service sonatype-clm-server start
```

Depending on the requirements from your system administrator the scripts will have to be modified to fit into your environment and exact deployment scenario.

2.9 Backup

The Sonatype CLM Server keeps all its configuration and data, besides the startup configuration, in the `sonatypeWork` folder as configured in `config.yml`. In a default deployment this folder will be the `sonatype-work/clm-server` folder in your installation directory. We recommend to use your backup system of choice to ensure availability of backups.

2.10 Upgrading

The following steps would complete an upgrade procedure for the Sonatype CLM Server.

1. Stop the Sonatype CLM Server
 2. Perform a backup
 3. Make a copy of `sonatype-clm-server/config.yml`
 4. Copy the new installation bundle into installation folder
 5. Extract the bundle
 6. Apply all modifications from the backup `config.yml` to the new `config.yml` file including e.g. server ports
 7. Update any startup scripts as needed
 8. Start the Sonatype CLM Server
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Chapter 3

Configuration

The main configuration file for the CLM server installation is a YAML formatted file called *config.yml* found in the installation directory. CLM server is an application running on a **Dropwizard** server.

In addition a number of configuration steps can be taken within the running server user interface.

This section will discuss various configuration options in the config file as well as some other configuration scenarios. When editing the file it is important to preserve the indentations, since they are significant for the resulting values created when parsing the configuration file. Generic configuration information can be found in the **Dropwizard User Manual**.

Tip

The `config.yml` format does not support tab characters. Use an editor that displays special characters like tabs when editing the file.

3.1 Initial Configuration of CLM Server

Beside the license installation mentioned earlier, there are a few further configuration steps you should consider before diving right into using the CLM server. You can configure various aspects in the CLM

System Preferences section of the CLM server user interface, which you can access by clicking on the



System Preferences icon located in the top right of the CLM Header/Screen (resembles a cog/gear) and choose the desired option to configure:

- Configure *Users* and *Global Roles* in the *Security* section of the left hand navigation menu, potentially combined with *LDAP* configuration available in the *Configuration* section. Read more about the security setup outlined in the security documentation.
- Configure *Proprietary Packages* so that the CLM server can distinguish your own code from other unknown components. Refer to the component match and identification documentation in the report user guide for more information.
- Inspect or update or configure your *Product License*

3.2 Running the CLM Server Behind a HTTP Proxy Server

Many organizations filter, control and optimize access to the internet via a proxy server. Any server or even any computer within the organization is forced to connect to the internet via the proxy server. The Sonatype CLM Server needs to communicate with the Sonatype CLM backend services hosted on the internet.

To allow the CLM server to connect via a proxy, you have to specify the connection details in the `proxy` section of the `config.yml` file displayed in [Proxy Configuration in config.yml](#).

Proxy Configuration in config.yml

```
proxy:
  hostname: "127.0.0.1"
  port: 80
  username: "anonymous"
  password: "guest"
```

If your proxy server is based on whitelisted URLs, you can use the following list of URLs to ensure that the CLM server can reach all the required services.

- <https://clm.sonatype.com>
- <http://cdn.sonatype.com/>

3.3 Setting the Base URL

If your CLM server is accessed via a https proxy or a proxy server that changes the http port or for other reasons can potentially not determine what the authoritative URL to access the server itself is, you need to configure the `baseUrl` parameter.

```
baseUrl: http://clm-server.example.com/
```

It is used by the server for any user facing links e.g. located in email notifications sent by the server to direct users to the server.

3.4 File Configuration

Sonatype CLM Server stores various files and data related to its operations in a work directory. By default this data is stored in a `sonatype-work/clm-server/` directory in the path the server runs. The directory is configurable using the `sonatypeWork` field in [File Configuration in config.yml](#).

File Configuration in config.yml

```
sonatypeWork: ./sonatype-work/clm-server
```

In addition, Sonatype CLM Server uses the system temporary directory during its operation. This folder varies by operating system but is usually controlled by an environmental variable. If a specific directory needs to be used, the CLM Server can be started with a command line flag as such:

```
cd /opt/sonatype-clm-server
java -jar -Djava.io.tmpdir=/path/to/tmpdir sonatype-clm-server-1.10.2.jar ↔
server config.yml
```

Note that the user account which the server runs under must have sufficient access rights to both the work and temporary directory in order for Sonatype CLM Server to function properly.

3.5 Email Configuration

The Sonatype CLM Server can be configured to send email notifications for events such as policy violations. This functionality requires an SMTP server available to the CLM server.

To allow the CLM server to send emails, you have to specify the connection details to the SMTP server in the `mail` section of the `config.yml` file displayed in [Mail Configuration in config.yml](#).

Mail Configuration in config.yml

```
mail:
  hostname: your.mailserver.com
  port: 465
  username: user@company.com
  password: password
  tls: true
  ssl: true
  systemEmail: "SonatypeCLM@localhost"
```

The connection details are established with `hostname` and `port` and optionally with the addition of `username`, `password`, `tls` and `ssl`. The `systemEmail` parameter will be used as the sender email for any emails the CLM server sends.

3.6 Logging Configuration

The CLM server application logging can be configured in the `logging` section of the `config.yml` file. By default a log directory is created in the installation directory and the `clm-server.log` is rotated. Further logging configuration is documented in the [Dropwizard manual](#).

3.7 HTTP Configuration

The HTTP configuration in `config.yml` is displayed in [HTTP Configuration in config.yml](#). The `port` parameter for the CLM server allows you to set the port at which the application is available. The `adminPort` exposes the operational menu. Both ports can be freely changed to other values, as long as these port numbers are not used and in the allowed range of values greater than 1024.

HTTP Configuration in config.yml

```
http:
  port: 8070
  adminport: 8071
```

3.8 HTTPS/SSL

One option to expose the CLM server via https, is to use an external server like [Apache httpd](#) or [nginx](#) and configure it for reverse proxying the external connections via https to internal http connection. This reverse proxy can be installed on the same server as the Sonatype CLM server or a different server and numerous tutorials for this setup are available on the internet.

A second option is to [directly configure SSL support for Dropwizard](#).

Chapter 4

Conclusion

Pat yourself on the back, the heavy lifting is mostly over, now you are ready to move on to the **Step 2 - Organizations and Applications**.