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## 1.0 Introduction

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The z/TPF real-time insights dashboard starter kit provides an example real-time analytics pipeline for data science analysis. With this pipeline, you can use statistical analysis, machine learning, and other forms of analysis to understand and diagnose system resource usage issues quickly. Understanding and diagnosing system resource usage more quickly can help limit impacts on service-level agreements and optimize business decisions. You also can use this analytics pipeline to feed data to monitors or databases for long-term analysis.

This starter kit includes a script for you to replay previously recorded real IBM test system data into the real-time analytics pipeline. This replay script, environment, and more can help you see the value of the solutions, experiment with various configuration and analysis, and inspire your future implementation of your real-time insights dashboard.

One of the primary goals of this starter kit is to make adoption and setup as easy as possible. Therefore, Docker is used extensively to install and configure the various components. You might need to make some modifications to the installation to suit your environment.

The starter kit also includes components required to collect, analyze and view the results of message analysis tool collections. The z/TPF message analysis tool provides you with the capability to capture and analyze the functions and macros that are used when the system processes a message. You can use this tool to determine where system resources are used when your message is being processed.

## 2.0 Change history

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2019Dec18 Initial version.  
2020Feb17 Corrections to readme.  
2020Dec11 Enhanced for two server configurations and other improvements, including improved modeled CPU calculations with APAR PJ46295 applied to your z/TPF system.  
2021Feb24 Added support for z/TPF system-wide JVM monitoring.  
2021Jun30 Removal of Apache Spark.  
2021Nov18 Message analysis tool initial support.  
2022May31 Complex-wide dashboard support.  
2022Sep30 Improve MySQL memory usage.  
Improve interface for setting up multiple tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzers.  
2023Mar03 Runtime metrics collection Kafka encryption support  
2023Jun30 Docker on Linux on IBM Z support. Use IBM Z and LinuxONE Container Registry.  
Easier to configure installation from trusted or local repositories.  
Provide IBM Semeru Runtime Open Edition 11 support.  
Provide sample pruning.  
Provide name-value pair collection starter kit support for all metrics.  
2023Jul19 User-defined metrics support.  
2023Oct04 PJ47156 tpf\_prepare\_configurations.sh might not work in all environments.  
2023Oct25 PJ47175 Runtime metrics collection specified time zone support  
2024Jun13 PJ47253 z/TPF real-time insights dashboard starter kit improvements  
2024Jun28 Runtime metrics collection CDC support (APAR PJ47254)

### 3.0 Prerequisites

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- o Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) Version 7.4 for x86
- o Docker 18.09.6 or later, which is available from:  
<https://docs.docker.com/install/linux/docker-ce/binaries>
- o Docker-Compose 1.24.0 or later, which is available from:  
<https://docs.docker.com/compose/install/>
- o A virtual machine (VM) with 2 cores, 4 GB memory, and 200 GB disk space
- o Docker containers that use Java requires the following Java software:
  - Linux on an x86 system: IBM Semeru Runtime Open Edition 11
  - Linux on IBM Z: IBM Semeru Runtime Open Edition 11

IMPORTANT NOTE: These instructions and scripts were implemented and tested on a virtual machine that has no other Docker images or containers. If you use these instructions and scripts on a machine that has other Docker images and containers, carefully review each step, script, and other information to ensure no undesirable behaviors occur. Additionally, these instructions assume the ID that is used to implement the installation has "usermod -aG docker your\_id" so that the sudo command does not have to be issued for every docker command manually entered or issued from the included scripts.

### 4.0 Installing the z/TPF real-time insights dashboard starter kit

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The installation process uses Docker to download, install and configure the various open-source products, including Grafana, MariaDB or MySQL, Apache Kafka, and various Python packages.

You can also use your own MySQL database. You can find the database settings that are used during internal MySQL testing in the file tpf\_db\_docker\_files/mysql.cnf. If your MySQL database will be used to process name-value pair collection data, configure your database instance to use the jemalloc library. For more information, see <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=collection-configuring-your-database-performance>

You can configure the starter kit to use two servers or to use a single-server configuration.

In the z/TPF lab, testing indicated that it is best to split the components between two

servers. The two-server configuration is also the best configuration to use to run real-time runtime metrics collection in production.

The following information describes the two-server configuration:

\* The first server is called the `tpf_rtmc_server`.

The following docker-compose yaml files are required to start this server:

- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_rtmc_server.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_mariadb.yml` or `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_mysql.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_kafka.yml`

The following components run on the `tpf_rtmc_server`:

- \* MariaDB or MySQL
- \* Kafka
- \* `tpf_rtmc` offline utility for processing real-time runtime metrics collection
- \* `tpf_rtmc` offline utility for processing name-value pair collection

When you run real-time runtime metrics collection on your z/TPF system, configure the endpoint group descriptors to send results to the `tpf_rtmc_server`. In production environments, implement this server on a Linux on IBM Z system in the same complex as the z/TPF system.

\* The second server is called the `tpf_analytics_server`.

The following docker-compose yaml files are required to start this server:

- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_analytics_server.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_mariadb.yml` or `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_mysql.yml`

The following components run on the `tpf_analytics_server`:

- \* MariaDB or MySQL
- \* Grafana
- \* `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` Python script
- \* `tpf_zmatc_analyzer` Java package provided by IBM

Name-value pair collection and message analysis tool results are written to the database on this server because Grafana is configured to view the content of the local database instance.

The single-server configuration is useful for experimentation and running the replay scripts. This configuration uses all of the following docker-compose yaml files:

- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_rtmc_server.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_mariadb.yml` or `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_mysql.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_kafka.yml`
- \* `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_analytics_server.yml`

The single-server configuration installs all components on a single x86 Linux server.

The instructions for installing and using the starter kit provide details for how to install and use both server configurations.

The credentials used in various scripts are defined in the `tpf_data_sci/tpf_default_credentials.txt` file. Change the passwords to a value that is more secure for your environment. When you change the passwords, you must make updates to various files in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker` directory.

All scripts included in the starter kit are written to run in the bash shell.

#### 4.1 Procedure for installing the starter kit

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If you want to set up a two-server configuration, complete the following steps on both the `tpf_rtmc_server` and `tpf_analytics_server`, unless the step explicitly indicates to do the step only on one of the servers. Otherwise, if you want to set up a single-server configuration, complete the following steps on a single server.

1. Download or use FTP to transfer the z/TPF real-time insights dashboard starter kit tar file to your home directory on your Linux machine.
2. Extract the package: `tar -xf tpf_realtime_insights_dashboard.tar`
3. For the `tpf_rtmc_server` or single-server configurations, copy the `base/tpf_rtmc/bin/tpf_rtmc.tar.gz` file in binary format from your z/TPF source repository to the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_rtmc_docker_files/` directory. Use the following command to extract the content from the tar file:  

```
tar -xf tpf_rtmc.tar.gz
```
4. For the `tpf_analytics_server` or single-server configurations, copy the `base/tpf_rtmc/bin/tpf_zmatc_analyzer.tar.gz` file in binary format from your z/TPF source repository to the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zmatc_analyzer_docker_files/` directory. Use the following command to extract the content from the tar file:  

```
tar -xf tpf_zmatc_analyzer.tar.gz
```
5. Define your Apache Kafka hosts, encryption settings, topic settings, and programmatic variables in the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/kafka_hosts.yml` file. For more information about how to configure this file, see the comments in the file.
6. If Python 3.8 and the `pyyaml` library, which are used by the `tpf_prepare_configurations.sh` script, are not installed on your system, enter the following commands to install them:  

```
sudo yum install python38  
sudo python3 -m pip install --upgrade pyyaml
```
7. Change your directory to the Docker directory: `cd tpf_data_sci/Docker`
8. For the `tpf_rtmc_server` and `tpf_analytics_server`, configure your server:

The `./tpf_prepare_configurations.sh` is used to configure your server. The settings that are used are set in the file: `tpf_data_sci/user_files/tpf_prepare_configurations.yml`. Modify the `tpf_prepare_configurations.yml` file with your desired settings. The `tpf_prepare_configurations.yml` file contains the following parameters:

#### USER\_ID

This parameter is required and is used when logs, data, files and so on are created. This parameter lessens the requirements for root or sudo access.

#### RTMC\_SERVER

This parameter is required. Specify the hostname of your single server or the hostname of the `tpf_rtmc_server` in dual server configurations.

Note: You can use the `hostname -f` command to determine the full hostname of `tpf_rtmc_server` and `tpf_analytics_server` to pass as parameters to this script.

#### ANALYTICS\_SERVER

This parameter is required. Specify the hostname of your single server or the hostname of the `tpf_analytics_server` in dual server configurations.

Note: You can use the `hostname -f` command to determine the full hostname of `tpf_rtmc_server` and `tpf_analytics_server` to pass as parameters to this script.

#### LOGGING

This parameter is optional. Specify this parameter to set the finest debug logging level for the `tpf_rtmc` and `zmatc_analyzer` offline utilities.

#### DB\_TYPE

This parameter is required. Specify a value of `mariadb` or `mysql` to indicate whether your database on the server is a MariaDB or MySQL database. The default value is `mariadb`.

## LINUX\_PLATFORM

This parameter is required. Specify a value of x86 if your platform is Linux on an x86 system; specify a value of linux\_on\_ibm\_Z if your platform is Linux on IBM Z. The default value is x86.

For Linux on IBM Z servers:

1. Follow these directions to sign up for an IBM Cloud ID and create an API key:  
<https://ibm.github.io/ibm-z-oss-hub/main/main.html>
2. Before you issue a Docker-compose command, issue the Docker login command with your API key:  
`docker login -u iamapikey icr.io`

Note: A MySQL configuration is not available for Linux on IBM Z because there is no viable container image provided by IBM or other vendors for the S/390 architecture. Also, MySQL does not work because the Rust compiler is required to build the cryptography dependency that is required by MySQL when building the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` python scripts. The Rust compiler for S/390 architecture is built for the GNU C library (glibc) and Python 3.8 is based on Alpine Linux, which uses the musl library. There is no Cargo/Rust dependency available for the musl library in the apk installer or the Rust websites. The MariaDB image that is used is pulled from Docker Hub because the IBM container registry does not provide one.

## USE\_TRUSTED\_REPOSITORY

This parameter is required. Specify this parameter to indicate whether your server installs open-source dependencies based on your default open-source configuration or from a local or trusted server.

Specify a value of no or yes:

- no - Use default open-source configured locations. This is the default value.
- yes - Use a local or trusted repository. The starter kit relies on the apk and pip open-source dependency package installers. Modify the following files to point to your local or trusted repositories:

apk: `tpf_data_sci/user_files/local_apk_repository`

pip: `tpf_data_sci/user_files/pip.conf`

For more information, see the following web pages:

apk: [https://wiki.alpinelinux.org/wiki/Alpine\\_Package\\_Keeper#Add\\_a\\_local\\_Package](https://wiki.alpinelinux.org/wiki/Alpine_Package_Keeper#Add_a_local_Package)

pip: <https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/topics/configuration/> and

[https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/cli/pip\\_install/#cmdoption-0](https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/cli/pip_install/#cmdoption-0)

Note: For MySQL configurations, the rpm package installer is used to install the jemalloc library. The `tpf_data_sci/user_files/mysql_jemalloc_library.yml` includes the default location and version of the jemalloc library. If you use MySQL and want to use a local or trusted provider instead, modify the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/mysql_jemalloc_library.yml` file to point to your local or trusted repositories. For more information see:  
[https://yum.oracle.com/repo/OracleLinux/OL8/developer/EPEL/x86\\_64/index.html](https://yum.oracle.com/repo/OracleLinux/OL8/developer/EPEL/x86_64/index.html)

## DOCKER\_REGISTRY

This parameter is optional. Specify this parameter to indicate whether your server installs Docker containers from a local or trusted registry. Specify the `hostname:port` of your Docker registry.

You can create a local Docker registry by the instructions on the following web page:  
<https://docs.docker.com/registry/deploying/>

## IMPLEMENT\_SAMPLE\_PRUNING

This parameter is optional. Specify this parameter to indicate whether to use the IBM pruning installation mechanism. Specify a value of yes or no. The default value is no, which means that the IBM sample pruning or the customer-defined pruning that is created based on the IBM sample pruning is not installed.

IBM sample pruning provides the following capabilities:

- The average, maximum and minimum per second for each one-minute time frame are created for all metrics in IBM provided tables.
- Stored procedures are created to perform pruning.

- The `tpf_sample_prune_daily` event is created to run at midnight UTC time.
- You can modify pruning parameters in the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/tpf_sample_pruning/tpf_create_prune_event.sql` file. You can modify the X and Y parameters in the following stored procedure call:  
`call tpf_sample_prune_data(X, Y);` where:  
X is the number of days to keep per second data before the data is pruned at midnight UTC time.  
Y is the number of days to keep per minute data (average, maximum, and minimum per second in a one-minute time frame) before the data is pruned at midnight UTC time.  
After Y days, all data has been pruned.
- You can add average, maximum, and minimum metrics and additional processing for user-defined tables by modifying the files in the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/tpf_sample_pruning` directory. If you add additional SQL files, ensure that you modify the installation commands:  
`tpf_data_sci/user_files/tpf_sample_pruning/tpf_sample_pruning_SQL_install_commands.sh`

To use customer-defined pruning, follow the code structure in the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/tpf_sample_pruning` file and modify the IBM sample pruning to meet your needs. If you add additional SQL files, ensure that you modify the installation commands:  
`tpf_data_sci/user_files/tpf_sample_pruning/tpf_sample_pruning_SQL_install_commands.sh`

#### CONFIGURE\_KAFKA\_CONTAINERS

This parameter is required. Specify this parameter to indicate whether to configure various files to create the required Kafka containers. Specify a value of `yes` or `no`. For ease of use in testing configurations, the default value is `yes`. If your analytics pipeline uses an existing Kafka installation, set this parameter to `no`.

Note: The provided Kafka container configurations are for test purposes only. The provided Kafka configuration does not provide high availability and might not conform to your corporate production standards. Do not use the provided Kafka configuration for production installations.

#### CONFIGURE\_KAFKA\_CONTAINER\_PORT

This parameter specifies the port to use for connecting to Kafka. If you specify `yes` for the `CONFIGURE_KAFKA_CONTAINERS` parameter, you must specify this parameter. The default value is `9093`.

#### KAFKA\_HOST\_SETTING

This parameter is required. Specify one of the following values for the `kafka` parameter:  
`use` - Use this option if you modified the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/kafka_hosts.yml` file to specify your host and other configuration variables. This is the default option.  
`update` - Use this option if you did not modify the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/kafka_hosts.yml` file. You can use this option for small test configurations that use the included `tpf_kafka.yml` file to build Kafka containers.

#### IMPLEMENT\_SAMPLE\_UDM

This parameter is optional. Specify this parameter to indicate whether to use the IBM sample user-defined metrics support on your server. The default is `no`.

NOTE: No pruning sample is provided for the IBM sample user-defined metrics data. For an example of how to implement pruning for your user-defined metric data, see the IBM sample pruning implementation. For more information about how to implement user-defined metrics, see <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=metrics-user-defined-tutorial>

#### HSC\_ENCRYPTION\_FILES\_FOR\_RTMC

This parameter is optional. Specify the directory where the high speed connector encryption files are stored. These files are used to create an encrypted socket when the `tpf_rtmc` offline utility receives data from the z/TPF system. The files in this directory are copied into the `tpf_rtmc_realtime` container. For more information on encrypting the data that is sent from the z/TPF system, see

#### TIME\_ZONE\_TEXT

This parameter is optional. Specify this parameter only if you want the timestamps in all containers, logs, and so on to be set to a specified time zone. If this parameter is specified, the default time zone of the Grafana dashboards is also changed to the specified time zone.

The default value is UTC, which means that the docker containers will be created with a UTC timestamp and time zone. As such, logs will have UTC timestamps for the time zone of your server. Grafana dashboards will default to the time zone of the browser.

Specify a value such as America/New\_York. You must specify a value that can be found in both of the following web pages:

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/time/ZoneId.html>  
<https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/timezones.html>

#### GRAFANA\_ORG\_ID

This parameter is optional. Specify this parameter if you will install the sample analytics pipeline dashboards in an enterprise Grafana instance instead of using the Grafana container definition provided. Set the GRAFANA\_ORG\_ID parameter to the organization ID that is used for the IBM provided data sources and dashboards.

Run the `tpf_prepare_configurations` script to modify the files in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_grafana_docker_files/provisioning` directory to have the desired organization ID.

For more information, see the Grafana provisioning documentation (<https://grafana.com/docs/grafana/latest/administration/provisioning/>).

Follow your administrator's guidance to install these dashboards and data sources. For example, you might perform the following steps to install the updated provisioning files in an enterprise Grafana installation.

1. Identify your desired organization ID from the Grafana -> Administration -> Organizations dashboard.
2. Set the GRAFANA\_ORG\_ID parameter to the desired organization ID.
3. Run the `tpf_prepare_configurations.sh` script to modify the dashboard provisioning files for the organization ID.
4. Stop your Grafana instance.
5. Copy the contents of `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_grafana_docker_files/provisioning` directory into the provisioning directory of your Grafana instance.
6. Start your Grafana instance.

#### Container Repository Definitions

In this section, specify which versions of open-source components will be used for building containers.

After the `tpf_prepare_configurations.yml` is configured, you can issue the prepare script:

```
./tpf_prepare_configurations.sh
```

To view which files are edited and what changes are made to satisfy the settings that you want, see the `tpf_prepare_configurations.sh` script.

9. Use the `docker-compose` command to start the docker containers:

For the `tpf_rtmc_server` or `single-server` configurations, take one of the following actions:

\* If you are using a MySQL database, enter the following command:  
`docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf_mysql.yml --file tpf_kafka.yml up -d --build`

\* If you are using a MariaDB database, enter the following command:  
docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf\_mariadb.yml --file tpf\_kafka.yml up -d --build

For the tpf\_analytics\_server, take one of the following actions:

- \* If you are using a MySQL database, enter the following command:  
docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf\_mysql.yml up -d --build
- \* If you are using a MariaDB database, enter the following command:  
docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf\_mariadb.yml up -d --build

For more information about managing containers and images, see the Docker and docker-compose documentation: <https://docs.docker.com/>

10. Set up the database tables and stored procedures by running the SQL script:

For the tpf\_rtmc\_server, tpf\_analytics\_server and single-server configurations:

```
./tpf_setup_db.sh
```

11. Run the following script:

For the tpf\_rtmc\_server or single-server configurations:  
./tpf\_create\_kafka\_topics.sh

This script creates the Apache Kafka topics.

12. Run the following script:

For the tpf\_rtmc\_server or single-server configurations:  
./tpf\_modify\_kafka\_topics.sh hostname:port  
where hostname:port is a host specified in the tpf\_data\_sci/user\_files/kafka\_hosts.yml in step 5.

This script modifies the Apache Kafka topics based on the modify\_script\_variables settings that are specified for your host in the tpf\_data\_sci/user\_files/kafka\_hosts.yml file.

13. Use docker-compose to start the tpf\_rtmc docker containers:

For the tpf\_rtmc\_server or single-server configurations:  
docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf\_rtmc\_server.yml up -d --build

14. [Optional] Configure tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer instances to support multiple z/TPF systems.

If you plan to have only one tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer, the tpf\_prepare\_configurations.sh already does the required setup and you can skip this step. Otherwise, complete this step on the tpf\_analytics\_server or single-server.

For example, consider the following configuration:

```
US z/TPF Complex > US tpf_rtmc > US Kafka > US tpf_zrtmc_analyzer 1 > US MariaDB > US Grafana  
EU z/TPF Complex > EU tpf_rtmc > EU Kafka > US tpf_zrtmc_analyzer 2 > US MariaDB > US Grafana
```

With this configuration, you can use the US Grafana instance to see real-time data feeds from both the US and EU z/TPF complexes.

You must decide if you want the EU and US data to appear on dashboards together. If so, the two tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer profiles will use the same database name. Otherwise, they will use different database names and you must define an additional data source in Grafana for the EU database name. In this example, the US and EU data will appear on the dashboards together and will use the same database name.



Complete the following steps:

1. Make a US copy of the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile.yml` file.

```
cp
tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile.y
ml

tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile_U
S.yml
```

If the `tpf_prepare_configurations.sh` was run for the US system, no further changes are required to `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile_US.yml`. However, you might want to change the logging > file to `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_US.log`. For example, change the group ID to a unique value if the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` is running in the US for US data: `tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-US`.

2. Make an EU copy of the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile.yml` file.

```
cp
tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile.y
ml

tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile_E
U.yml
```

3. Modify the Kafka host and other Kafka settings for the EU Kafka in the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile_EU.yml`. In this example, the US and EU data will appear on the dashboards together, so database settings are left unchanged. Change the logging > file to `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_EU.log`. You can make additional changes to the database, desired analysis, and so on, as needed. For example, change the group ID to a unique value if the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` is running in the US for EU data: `tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-US`.

4. Modify `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_analytics_server.yml` to have two `tpf-zrtmc-analyzer` services: one for US and one for EU.

Modify the following values:

- service name
- container\_name
- hostname
- ZRTMC\_ANALYZER\_PROFILE

For example, US or EU are appended to each element below:

```
tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-US:
  container_name: tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-US
  hostname: tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-US
  build:
    context: ./tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files
    dockerfile: Dockerfile
  image:
    tpf-zrtmc-analyzer_img
  networks:
    - tpf-insights-dashboard-network
  volumes:
    - ./tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/profile:/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer/profile
    - ./tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/logs:/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer/logs
  logging:
    driver: "json-file"
    options:
      max-size: "10m"
      max-file: "3"
  environment:
    -
      ZRTMC_ANALYZER_PROFILE=/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer/profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile_US
      .yml
```

```

tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-EU:
  container_name: tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-EU
  hostname: tpf-zrtmc-analyzer-EU
  build:
    context: ./tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files
    dockerfile: Dockerfile
  image:
    tpf-zrtmc-analyzer_img
  networks:
    - tpf-insights-dashboard-network
  volumes:
    - ./tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/profile:/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer/profile
    - ./tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/logs:/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer/logs
  logging:
    driver: "json-file"
    options:
      max-size: "10m"
      max-file: "3"
  environment:
    -
      ZRTMC_ANALYZER_PROFILE=/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer/profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile_EU
      .yaml

```

15. Use docker-compose to start the remaining docker containers:

For tpf\_analytics\_server or single-server configurations:

```

docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf_analytics_server.yml
up -d --build

```

Note: The tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer connects to both Kafka and database upon startup. Any data that is available on the configured Kafka topics will begin to be processed.

The tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer performs analysis on any available message analysis tool results in the database on the tpf\_analytics\_server.

16. [Optional] If you have a firewall active, you might need to ensure that the ports specified in the yml files are open. For example, enter the following command for each port that is exposed by the yml files:

```

sudo firewall-cmd --zone=public --add-port=<portID>/tcp --permanent

```

where <portID> represents the following ports:

```

For MariaDB or MySQL: 3306
For Grafana: 3000
For Kafka: 2181, 9092, 9093, 8082, 8000
For tpfzrtmc: 9090

```

Reload the firewall by entering the following command:

```

sudo firewall-cmd --reload

```

Note: You can modify all of the ports before entering the reload command. Additionally, the tpf\_data\_sci/Docker/tpf\_open\_firewall\_ports.sh script is provided to process all of these commands for you for the default ports.

After the previous steps are completed, the analytics pipeline is fully functional.

You can use the following instructions to test the installation on the tpf\_analytics\_server or single-server configuration.

1. Test Apache Kafka by opening the KafkaUI in a browser at <http://your.rtmc.server.name.com:8000>
2. Test the tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer Python script by checking the logs for messages that indicate successful connections to both Kafka and the database. The default path of the log file is as follows:
 

```

tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/logs/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer.log

```
3. Run the replay scripts as described in section 6.0.
4. Test the database and MySQL and Grafana by completing the following steps:
  - a. Open Grafana in a browser at: <http://your.analytics.server.name.com:3000>

Grafana is configured to allow anonymous login so that no credentials are required to view the dashboards. If you want to make changes, you can log in as the admin using the sign-in button on the lower left. (Use the credentials for Grafana that are listed at the beginning of this section.)

- b. Open a dashboard. For example, click the top left: Home > ZRTMC Results > 02. Correlation Analysis.

The results of the analysis of the replay script data are displayed.

## 5.0 Customizing the z/TPF real-time insights dashboard starter kit

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### Grafana

Sign into Grafana as the admin by using the lower left button on the dashboard and the credentials that are listed in section 4.0. Grafana 6.5.2 will prevent you from modifying provisioned dashboards (even though the dashboards are marked as modifiable).

You can export a dashboard, import the dashboard, and modify the dashboard to your specifications. These displays are very closely tied to the stored procedures in the database. To save any changes you make to a dashboard, you must export the dashboard in JSON format to the appropriate dashboard file location in the Grafana Docker container volume. These files are located in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_grafana_docker_files/dashboards` directory.

### MariaDB and MySQL

You can modify the SQL stored procedures in the stored procedures sql files in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_db_docker_files` directory or the table definitions in `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_db_docker_files/tpf_create_tables.sql` file. The stored procedures perform correlation and other forms of analysis.

For your convenience, the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_db_docker_files/tpf_drop_tables.sql` and `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_db_docker_files/tpf_delete_all_data.sql` files are included.

Use the following commands to set up the database again.

```
* docker container stop tpf-db
* docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf_mariadb.yml up -d
--build tpf-db
or
docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf_mysql.yml up -d --build
tpf-db
* ./tpf_setup_db.sh
```

### tpf\_zrtmc\_analyzer Python script

The `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` Python script is responsible for processing CDC, JVM, and name-value pair collection data. This code is located in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files` directory. You can modify how the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` Python script handles the data that arrives from Kafka. The configuration profile, `profile/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile.yml`, specifies the Kafka and database connection parameters, the logging configuration, the active data sources for consumption, the active data types for z/TPF processing, and the application dimensions. You can write code to do your own processing on the data that arrives from Kafka in addition to or instead of the z/TPF processing. Implement the user exit interface in `tpf_user_exit/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_user_exit.py` and place all of your code in the `tpf_user_exit` directory or a subdirectory of the `tpf_user_exit` directory. For more details, see the comments in the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_profile.yml` and `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_user_exit.py` files.

Run one of the following commands when your changes are complete. Include the "--build" flag if you make changes to the Python code. Otherwise, changes to the configuration profile only require a container to be started (or restarted).

```
* docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf_analytics_server.yml up
-d --build tpf-zrtmc-analyzer
* docker-compose --file tpf-insights-dashboard-network.yml --file tpf_analytics_server.yml up
-d tpf-zrtmc-analyzer
```

## 6.0 Running the replay scripts

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To run the replay script and see the z/TPF real-time insights dashboard in action, complete the following steps:

1. On the `tpf_rtmc_server` or single-server configuration, change your directory to the Docker directory:  
`cd tpf_data_sci/Docker`
2. On the `tpf_rtmc_server` or single-server configuration, start the replay script:  
`./tpf_start_replay_script.sh scenario_name [port]`

where `scenario_name` is the name of the scenario to run. Enter the following command to see which scenarios are available:

```
./tpf_start_replay_script.sh
```

The following scenarios are provided with the starter kit.

o `scenario_lowVolTraffic`:

View the Grafana dashboard by clicking Home > ZRTMC Results > 02. Correlation Analysis. Select "Message Type, SubType, Origin" as the Application Dimension. After 15 minutes of baseline data, the message rate from the low volume message type increases slightly corresponding to a rise in CPU utilization. The "Message Type, SubType, Origin Rate Correlated to Actual System CPU" panel indicates that name-value pair collection data is insufficient for the [Shopping, Air, Terminal] horizontal name-value pair combination. Change the Analysis Type to Aggregate to see the correlation highlighted.

The `./tpf_start_replay_script.sh` script uses the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/kafka_hosts.yml` file to determine how to connect to Kafka. For example, what security settings to use. The `./tpf_start_replay_script.sh` script looks for the name of the local machine as `host:9093` in the `tpf_data_sci/user_files/kafka_hosts.yml` file. If you specify the optional `[port]` parameter, that port is used when searching for the correct host to use.

For more information about running the replay script, see the `./tpf_data_sci/tpfReplayScript/README.txt` file that is included in the starter kit download package.

3. Open Grafana in a browser at `http://your.server.name.com:3000` or `http://your.analytics.server.name.com:3000`
4. Open a dashboard. For example, click the top left:  
Home > ZRTMC Results > 02. Correlation Analysis.  
Set the time picker to Last 15 minutes.

The following process occurs:

1. The `tpf_data_sci/tpfReplayScript/tpf_ReplayDiskToKafka.jar` file simulates real-time data arriving in Kafka by transferring data from file to Kafka in time sequence and simulating real-time collection durations.
2. The processing that runs in the `tpf_zrtmc_analyzer` Python script in `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer_docker_files/tpf_zrtmc_analyzer.py` pulls the data in real time from Kafka, performs some calculations, and writes the results to the database.
3. The Grafana dashboards are set up to automatically refresh. When the dashboard refreshes, it will process a variety of analyses that are implemented in SQL and SELECT statements to display the analyzed data.

## 7.0 Running real-time runtime metrics collection

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To process live data from the z/TPF system and see the z/TPF real-time insights dashboard in action, complete the following steps:

1. Define endpoint group descriptors.  
For more information, see the instructions in IBM Documentation at  
<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=icrmc-defining-endpoint-groups-real-time-runtime-metrics-collection>
2. [Optional] Start a Java application configured for monitoring.  
For more information, see the information in the IBM Documentation at  
<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=guide-monitor-java-applications-across-ztpf-system>
3. Enter the ZRTMC command to start real-time runtime metrics collection.  
For more information, see the ZRTMC command information in IBM Documentation at  
<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=zz-zrtmc-manage-real-time-runtime-metrics-collection-processing>

Note: The following CDC data types that are used by the starter kit require a frequency of one second:

- CDC\_SYSTEM\_BLOCK
- CDC\_SYSTEM\_MESSAGE
- CDC\_TCPIP
- CDC\_ISTREAM
- CDC\_COMMON\_DEPLOY\_FILES
- CDC\_SERVICE

4. Open Grafana in a browser at <http://your.server.name.com:3000> or <http://your.analytics.server.name.com:3000>
5. Open a dashboard. For example, click the top left:  
Home > ZRTMC Results > 02. Correlation Analysis.
6. If runtime metrics collection is sending JVM data from the z/TPF system, open a ZRTMC JVM dashboard. For example:  
Home > ZRTMC JVM > 01. JAM Summary.

Three Grafana dashboards are included that provide education about the analysis performed, columns, mathematical references, and a typical user story of how to use the dashboards. You can find these dashboards in the following locations:  
Home > ZRTMC Results > Education 1: Basic usage guidance  
Home > ZRTMC Results > Education 2: The details  
Home > ZRTMC JVM > Education 1: JVM Monitoring

## 8.0 Running message analysis tool collection

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To process live data from the z/TPF system and see the z/TPF real-time insights dashboard in action, complete the following steps:

1. Define endpoint group descriptor.  
For more information, see the instructions in IBM Documentation at  
<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=icrmc-defining-endpoint-groups-message-analysis-tool>
2. Define a configuration file and enter the ZMATC command to start message analysis collection. For more information, see the ZMATC command information in IBM Documentation at <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=zz-zmatc>
3. Open Grafana in a browser at <http://your.server.name.com:3000> or <http://your.analytics.server.name.com:3000>

4. Open a dashboard. For example, click the top left:  
Home > ZMATC > 01. Collections.
6. Select a target UOWID and click the dropdown menu in the upper-right corner of the dashboard entitled "Select Target Checkbox and Open Dashboard" to navigate to another dashboard to perform analysis of your target.

Grafana dashboards are included that provide education about the analysis performed, columns, mathematical references, and a typical user story of how to use the dashboards. You can find these dashboards in the following locations:

Home > ZMATC Results > 00. START HERE

Home > ZMATC Results > Education 1. Message Analysis Tool

## 9.0 Viewing name-value pair collection results

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1. Capture name-value pair collection results.  
For more information, see the instructions in IBM Documentation at <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=data-running-runtime-metrics-collection>

2. On the `tpf_rtmc_server` or `single-server` configurations, create a subdirectory in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_rtmc_docker_files/volumes/tape/binary-tapes/` directory if one does not already exist.

For example:

```
mkdir tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_rtmc_docker_files/volumes/tape/binary-tapes/preprodtest
```

For more information about collection group directories, see the runtime metrics collection information in IBM Documentation at

<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ztpf/latest?topic=data-running-runtime-metrics-collection>

3. Copy name-value pair collection binary tape files into your subdirectory, such as `tpf_data_sci/Docker/tpf_rtmc_docker_files/volumes/binary-tapes/preprodtest`

Runtime metrics collection automatically detects and processes your tape and creates the results in the TPFNVPCDB database on the `tpf_analytics_server` or the `single server`.

4. Open Grafana in a browser at <http://your.server.name.com:3000> or <http://your.analytics.server.name.com:3000>

5. Open a dashboard. For example, click the top left:  
Home > ZCNPV Results > Trends

## 10.0 Known problems and workarounds

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There are many components in use in this starter kit. The component versions that are included and used by this starter kit were stable at the time of release.

To use the latest versions of these components, remove or modify the version numbers throughout the files in the `tpf_data_sci/Docker/*` directory.

## 11.0 Other sources of information

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<https://grafana.com/docs/>

<https://mariadb.com/kb/en/library/documentation/>

<https://kafka.apache.org/documentation/>

The JAR files for the replay script include the source in case you would like to modify it.

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