

## Arvados - Feature #14714

### [keep] keep-balance uses cluster config file

01/10/2019 06:47 PM - Peter Amstutz

<b>Status:</b> Resolved	<b>Start date:</b> 09/26/2019
<b>Priority:</b> Normal	<b>Due date:</b>
<b>Assigned To:</b> Eric Biagiotti	<b>% Done:</b> 100%
<b>Category:</b>	<b>Estimated time:</b> 0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b> 2019-10-09 Sprint	
<b>Description</b>	
Should include:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• use lib/service to do generic service things like set up logging and a Prometheus registry, find appropriate port to listen on, start http server (along the lines of <a href="#">source:services/health/main.go@13647-keepstore-config</a> and <a href="#">source:lib/dispatchcloud/cmd.go@13647-keepstore-config</a>)</li></ul>	
Should not include:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Load keep services list from config file instead of arvados/v1/keep_services endpoint (seems unsafe to do this until we can be assured the config is fully migrated; meanwhile, the keep_services endpoint is safe to use throughout the migration)</li><li>• Rendezvous by volume instead of by server (see <a href="#">#15641</a>)</li></ul>	
<b>Subtasks:</b>	
Task # 15480: Review 14714-keep-balance-config	<b>Resolved</b>
<b>Related issues:</b>	
Related to Arvados - Story #13648: [Epic] Use one cluster configuration file ...	<b>Resolved</b>
Related to Arvados - Feature #9255: [keep] drain mode for a keepstore service	<b>New</b> 05/23/2016
Related to Arvados - Story #15641: [keep-balance] [SDKs] rendezvous by volume...	<b>New</b>

### Associated revisions

#### Revision 52b7b293 - 09/30/2019 04:31 PM - Eric Biagiotti

Merge remote-tracking branch 'origin/master' into 14714-keep-balance-config

refs #14714

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#### Revision 30db189f - 10/03/2019 03:09 PM - Eric Biagiotti

Merge branch '14714-keep-balance-config'

refs #14714

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#### Revision 80c1c0c5 - 10/03/2019 07:33 PM - Eric Biagiotti

Merge branch '14714-keep-balance-config'

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### History

#### #1 - 01/10/2019 06:47 PM - Peter Amstutz

- Related to Story #13648: [Epic] Use one cluster configuration file for all components added

#### #2 - 01/10/2019 06:47 PM - Peter Amstutz

- Tracker changed from Bug to Feature

#### #3 - 01/23/2019 05:54 PM - Lucas Di Pentima

Based on documentation at <https://doc.arvados.org/install/install-keep-balance.html>

As I believe there's only one instance of keep-balance per cluster, I think it would be appropriate to add its specific configs inside a NodeProfile instead of having a separate section as the dispatchers on [#14713](#)

```
Timers:
  KeepbalanceRunPeriod: 10m
NodeProfiles:
  keep:
    Keepbalance:
      Listen: :9005
      ManagementToken: xyzzy
      CollectionBatchSize: 100000
      CollectionBuffers: 1000
      KeepServiceTypes:
        1: disk
```

#### #4 - 02/06/2019 07:18 PM - Tom Morris

- Target version changed from To Be Groomed to Arvados Future Sprints
- Story points set to 1.0

#### #5 - 07/17/2019 02:54 PM - Tom Morris

- Target version changed from Arvados Future Sprints to 2019-07-31 Sprint

#### #6 - 07/17/2019 02:54 PM - Lucas Di Pentima

- Assigned To set to Lucas Di Pentima

#### #7 - 07/31/2019 02:52 PM - Lucas Di Pentima

- Target version changed from 2019-07-31 Sprint to 2019-08-14 Sprint

#### #8 - 07/31/2019 03:13 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Assigned To changed from Lucas Di Pentima to Eric Biagiotti

#### #9 - 08/13/2019 08:17 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Status changed from New to In Progress

#### #10 - 08/14/2019 01:28 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Target version changed from 2019-08-14 Sprint to 2019-08-28 Sprint

#### #11 - 08/16/2019 01:50 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Status changed from In Progress to New

#### #12 - 08/28/2019 02:28 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Target version changed from 2019-08-28 Sprint to 2019-09-11 Sprint

#### #13 - 08/30/2019 06:57 PM - Eric Biagiotti

Some questions/comments about keep-balance flags and config options.

## Config

- **KeepServiceTypes:** In the [config wiki](#) KeepServiceTypes is mapped to Volumes. I'm assuming this is meant to map to Volume.Driver types? This seems contingent on keepstore cluster config work.
- **CollectionBatchSize/CollectionBuffers:** These are both mapped to API.MaxItemsPerResponse on the wiki, but it seems like we would be removing potentially useful resource usage tweaking. Are we sure we want to simplify this? See [keep-balance/usage.go](#) for more info.
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## Flags

I plan on keeping all the flag options since keep-balance can be run once instead of as a service.

- **KeepServiceList:** Right now this is only a command line option. Unless we think its worth specifying a set of keep services to balance in the

config, this will stay the same.

- **commit-pulls/commit-trash**: These are mapped to `Collections.BlobReplicateConcurrency/Collections.BlobTrashConcurrency` respectively, but we might want to consider settings these to false by default if `keep-balance` is run with `--once` to avoid a one-time op accidentally committing changes. We could also require these to be set explicitly if `--once` is used.

## Docs

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**#14 - 08/30/2019 07:00 PM - Eric Biagiotti**

- Status changed from New to In Progress

**#15 - 09/03/2019 03:45 PM - Tom Clegg**

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`CollectionBatchSize` might not be especially useful (`keep-balance` uses much less memory than `apiserver` for a given page size anyway).

`CollectionBuffers` is hard to use effectively (anything far enough from 0 to affect performance uses arbitrary amounts of memory, and performance impact is minimal anyway).

That said, yes, at least for now let's just move these to `Collections.BalanceCollectionBatch` and `Collections.BalanceCollectionBuffers`.

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Added `Collections.BlobMissingReport` to wiki.

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**#16 - 09/03/2019 04:51 PM - Nico César**

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For most clusters the approach for wait-for-the-migration of keepstore configs is great. Listing separate keepstore and keepproxy sounds good.

Per volume flags sounds great. Specially in scenarios that "we need to migrate a volume" like switching them to read only, or future expansions of draining volumes feature.

As an special case that some cluster have: sometimes, specially on prem, we have a keepstore service running on the compute nodes. How does global configuration affects this? I'm just pointing out a potential problem, maybe I'm over thinking.

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From the Ops perspective: In the future I think this configuration knobs should have a recommended value at run-time based on the data available (an also auto select that value if needed and reporting the value in the logs). Specially useful with clusters that we don't have access to the keepstore servers, but we know that they could use resources more efficiently

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I don't mind personally having changes in keep-balance flags. As long as we document it well and we have a version that shows it as deprecated.

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I like a new page in the admin page. Also adding a section "before you begging... think about your storage layer" that explains why you should have several keepstore servers. Talk a little about throughput and N-to-M connections. The audience for this section should be sysadmins that they've been managing NFS servers and RAIDs or similar technology and replication in Arvados is a hard concept to grasp.

#### **#17 - 09/03/2019 08:51 PM - Tom Clegg**

- Related to Feature #9255: [keep] drain mode for a keepstore service added

#### **#18 - 09/11/2019 03:03 PM - Tom Morris**

- Target version changed from 2019-09-11 Sprint to 2019-09-25 Sprint

#### **#19 - 09/16/2019 08:15 PM - Tom Clegg**

- Description updated

**#20 - 09/19/2019 02:20 PM - Tom Clegg**

- Related to Story #15641: [keep-balance] [SDKs] rendezvous by volume UUID instead of server UUID added

**#21 - 09/25/2019 03:05 PM - Eric Biagiotti**

- Target version changed from 2019-09-25 Sprint to 2019-10-09 Sprint

**#22 - 09/26/2019 02:37 PM - Eric Biagiotti**

- Target version deleted (2019-10-09 Sprint)

Latest at [ac74894758f1b56c449022810b45f833adcfefa7](https://github.com/elastic/elasticsearch/pull/44902)

- Now uses cluster config.
- Reorganizes the Server struct to use lib/service to do generic service things.
- Removes dumpconfig flag.
- Removes the options to specify a keep service list or type. Keep-balance will now balance all keep services of type disk reported by the keep\_services endpoint.
- Debug flag removed. Uses SystemLogs.LogLevel from cluster config instead.

Didn't add keep-balance start-up in CheckHealth or ServeHttp (like dispatcher does). Unless I am missing something, it doesn't seem to make sense to start keep-balance that way. By the time command.RunCommand calls CheckHealth, it should have a setup keep-balance via newHandler.

Also, I haven't actually run keep-balance outside of its tests. Working on getting something working in arvbox.

**#23 - 09/26/2019 07:53 PM - Eric Biagiotti**

Latest at: [8a879fd6ffb38927150be85c63d926cd6a4c0d42](https://github.com/elastic/elasticsearch/pull/44927)

Rebased on master with the keepstore merge.

- Updated to use the prometheus registry passed in with newHandler
- Updated the test logging to use the ctxlog TestLogger.

Also kicked off tests:

<https://ci.curoverse.com/view/Developer/job/developer-run-tests/1549/>

**#24 - 09/26/2019 07:56 PM - Eric Biagiotti**

- Target version set to 2019-10-09 Sprint

**#25 - 09/26/2019 09:03 PM - Tom Clegg**

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other globals to get rid of:

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services/keep-balance/server.go: Start() is only called once from one place, and only has one LOC, so setupOnce and Start itself seem superfluous -- could newHandler just say "go srv.Run()"?

(tbc)

#### #26 - 09/30/2019 04:46 PM - Eric Biagiotti

Latest at [52b7b2934d5d74ee67ca13f8d1cc95f1379faddc](https://ci.curoverse.com/view/Developer/job/developer-run-tests/1563/)

Dev tests running: <https://ci.curoverse.com/view/Developer/job/developer-run-tests/1563/>

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All of the above fixed in [c8bfd534fc6e33b0b37f9fed1ee6232159edb631](https://ci.curoverse.com/view/Developer/job/developer-run-tests/1563/)

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I left in setupOnce in case I was missing something regarding CheckHealth; but yea, it doesn't need to be there. Fixed in [8db3a110976bbb9288214eeb3064d31cb12c1c82](https://ci.curoverse.com/view/Developer/job/developer-run-tests/1563/)

I also updated docs and made a new admin keepbalance page. Seems like the keepstore install page "Notes on storage management" section has a good explanation of keep-balance. Maybe I should move that language into the keepbalance page and link to it from "Notes on storage management" instead of linking to the keepbalance install docs?

I also noticed that running with -once, keep-balance doesn't actually exit. Not sure how that would work with the new service lib, but I'll looking into it more. Let me know if you have some insight into this. Thanks!

#### #27 - 09/30/2019 07:59 PM - Tom Clegg

Eric Biagiotti wrote:

I also noticed that running with -once, keep-balance doesn't actually exit. Not sure how that would work with the new service lib, but I'll looking into it more. Let me know if you have some insight into this. Thanks!

Maybe add an os.Exit() to (\*Server)run():

```
    if err != nil {
        srv.Logger.Error(err)
+       os.Exit(1)
+    } else {
+       os.Exit(0)
    }
```

#### #28 - 09/30/2019 08:33 PM - Tom Clegg

Now that keep-balance uses lib/service.Command(), it doesn't need to serve /metrics itself, so

- (\*Server)setup() can go away (in fact it looks like it's already unused, except from tests -- I suppose the tests will need some other way to access the metrics registry, perhaps pass s.Metrics.reg to a helper based on [https://github.com/prometheus/client\\_golang/blob/master/prometheus/registry.go#L554](https://github.com/prometheus/client_golang/blob/master/prometheus/registry.go#L554) that writes to a buffer instead of a file on disk)
- (\*Server)httpHandler can be set to http.NotFoundHandler() when initializing in main.go since (currently) keep-balance doesn't have any APIs other than the ones handled by lib/service
- (\*Server)httpHandler could be embedded as just "http.Handler" instead, and the ServeHTTP() forwarding func wouldn't be needed at all

#### #29 - 10/01/2019 03:00 PM - Tom Clegg

services/keep-balance/balance.go: could remove the now-overbuilt okTypes argument and "ok" map from DiscoverKeepServices() -- just test srv.ServiceType == "disk" in the loop.

#### #30 - 10/01/2019 08:30 PM - Eric Biagiotti

Latest at [e86ee860d99036ff4ac61f6635b738f3a408e446](https://github.com/prometheus/keepalive-go/commit/e86ee860d99036ff4ac61f6635b738f3a408e446)

- Removes metrics serving
- Updates test gathering of metrics
- Simplifies balancer keep service discovery
- Moves keep-balance info from keepstore install docs to the new admin page
- Keepbalance now exits correctly when using -once

<https://ci.curoverse.com/view/Developer/job/developer-run-tests/1574/>

#### #31 - 10/03/2019 03:00 PM - Tom Clegg

Even the pared-down "Note on storage management" on the "install keepstore" guide seems like a non sequitur (why is this being mentioned now? what am I supposed to do about it?) ... otoh I'm not sure where it should be moved to, and this is already tangential to the issue at hand, so I'm inclined leave it here for now.

LGTM, thanks

(test failures are surely the ones already fixed in master)

#### #32 - 10/03/2019 03:13 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Status changed from In Progress to Resolved

#### #33 - 10/03/2019 06:48 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Status changed from Resolved to Feedback

Latest at [5ffded80f04bc1b38574b0a4eee54c6ceb9b9112](https://github.com/prometheus/keepalive-go/commit/5ffded80f04bc1b38574b0a4eee54c6ceb9b9112)

- Updated the error message for invalid legacy config options to point to the upgrade notes.
- Also updated the upgrade notes to be more clear about how keep-balance determines what to balance.

#### #34 - 10/03/2019 07:15 PM - Tom Clegg

all volumes of service type disk

...should probably be "all keepstore servers with service\_type disk" (that endpoint doesn't list volumes, only services)

otherwise LGTM, thanks

#### #35 - 10/03/2019 07:47 PM - Eric Biagiotti

- Status changed from Feedback to Resolved

#### #36 - 01/22/2020 02:46 PM - Peter Amstutz

- Release set to 22