

Troubleshooting Cloudera Data Science Workbench

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Troubleshooting Cloudera Data Science Workbench

Depending on your deployment, use one of the following courses of action to start debugging issues with Cloudera Data Science Workbench.

- CSD Deployments
 - Check the current status of the application and run validation checks. You can use the Status and Validate commands in Cloudera Manager to do so.
 - Make sure your Cloudera Data Science Workbench configuration is correct. Log into Cloudera Manager and review configuration for the CDSW service.
- RPM Deployments
 - Check the status of the application.

```
cdsd status
```

- SSH to your master host and run the following host validation command to check that the key services are running:

```
cdsd validate
```

- Make sure your Cloudera Data Science Workbench configuration is correct.

```
cat /etc/cdsd/config/cdsd.conf
```

Troubleshooting Installation Issues

This section describes solutions to some warnings you might encounter during the installation process.

Review installation logs

When debugging installation and "first run" issues with Cloudera Data Science Workbench, it is important to review the "role" logs, which are logged by the Cloudera Manager Agent when the services tries to start. These logs will show any issues that occur with the actual host, before the kubernetes and docker systems even start. These logs are located at: `/var/run/cloudera-scm-agent/process/[XXX-ROLE]/logs`.

These logs are sorted based on the role type (master, application, docker-daemon, worker) and are prepended with an incremental ID so you can find the latest log. When viewing these logs, you can ignore any line that begins with a + symbol, so the best way to view these would be, for example: `grep -v ^+ /var/run/cloudera-scm-agent/process/67-CDSW_DOCKER/logs/stderr.log`

Stop any existing CDSW processes

If CDSW was not shut down properly through Cloudera Manager, then sometimes old CDSW unix processes can be left intact and can cause problems with starting the application. To ensure this is not the case:

1. Stop all CDSW roles from Cloudera Manager
2. Run the following command on all CDSW nodes to kill all CDSW, Docker, and Kubernetes processes, including the stale processes: `for i in `ps -ef |grep -e cdsd -e docker -e kube|grep -v grep|awk '{print $2}'`; do kill -9 $i; done`
3. Start the CDSW roles from Cloudera Manager again

Preexisting iptables rules not supported

WARNING: Cloudera Data Science Workbench requires iptables, but does not support preexisting iptables rules.

Kubernetes makes extensive use of iptables. However, it's hard to know how pre-existing iptables rules will interact with the rules inserted by Kubernetes. Therefore, Cloudera recommends you run the following commands to clear all pre-existing rules before you proceed with the installation.

```
sudo iptables -P INPUT ACCEPT
sudo iptables -P FORWARD ACCEPT
sudo iptables -P OUTPUT ACCEPT
sudo iptables -t nat -F
sudo iptables -t mangle -F
sudo iptables -F
sudo iptables -X
```

The warning can be ignored after you clear the pre-existing rules or are sure that there are no pre-existing iptables rules.

Remove the entry corresponding to `/dev/xvdc` from `/etc/fstab`

Cloudera Data Science Workbench installs a custom filesystem on its Application and Docker block devices. These filesystems will be used to store user project files and Docker engine images respectively. Therefore, Cloudera Data Science Workbench requires complete access to the block devices. To avoid losing any existing data, make sure the block devices allocated to Cloudera Data Science Workbench are reserved only for the workbench.

Linux `sysctl` kernel configuration errors

Kubernetes and Docker require non-standard kernel configuration. Depending on the existing state of your kernel, this might result in `sysctl` errors such as:

```
sysctl net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-iptables must be set to 1
```

This is because the settings in `/etc/sysctl.conf` conflict with the settings required by Cloudera Data Science Workbench. Cloudera cannot make a blanket recommendation on how to resolve such errors because they are specific to your deployment. Cluster administrators may choose to either remove or modify the conflicting value directly in `/etc/sysctl.conf`, remove the value from the conflicting configuration file, or even delete the module that is causing the conflict.

To start diagnosing the issue, run the following command to see the list of configuration files that are overwriting values in `/etc/sysctl.conf`.

```
SYSTEMD_LOG_LEVEL=debug /usr/lib/systemd/systemd-sysctl
```

You will see output similar to:

```
Parsing /usr/lib/sysctl.d/00-system.conf
Parsing /usr/lib/sysctl.d/50-default.conf
Parsing /etc/sysctl.d/99-sysctl.conf
Overwriting earlier assignment of net/bridge/bridge-nf-call-ip6tables in file '/etc/sysctl.d/99-sysctl.conf'.
Overwriting earlier assignment of net/bridge/bridge-nf-call-ip6tables in file '/etc/sysctl.d/99-sysctl.conf'.
Overwriting earlier assignment of net/bridge/bridge-nf-call-ip6tables in file '/etc/sysctl.d/99-sysctl.conf'.
Parsing /etc/sysctl.d/k8s.conf
Overwriting earlier assignment of net/bridge/bridge-nf-call-iptables in file '/etc/sysctl.d/k8s.conf'.
Parsing /etc/sysctl.conf
Overwriting earlier assignment of net/bridge/bridge-nf-call-ip6tables in file '/etc/sysctl.conf'.
```

```
Overwriting earlier assignment of net/bridge/bridge-nf-call-ip6tables in
file '/etc/sysctl.conf'.
Setting 'net/ipv4/conf/all/promote_secondaries' to '1'
Setting 'net/ipv4/conf/default/promote_secondaries' to '1'
...
```

/etc/sysctl.d/k8s.conf is the configuration added by Cloudera Data Science Workbench. Administrators must make sure that no other file is overwriting values set by /etc/sysctl.d/k8s.conf.

CDH parcels not found at /opt/cloudera/parcels

There are two possible reasons for this warning:

- If you are using a custom parcel directory, you can ignore the warning and proceed with the installation. Once the Cloudera Data Science Workbench is running, set the path to the CDH parcel in the admin dashboard.
- This warning can be an indication that you have not added gateway roles to the Cloudera Data Science Workbench hosts. In this case, do not ignore the warning. Exit the installer and go to Cloudera Manager to add gateway roles to the cluster.

CDSW docker daemons fail to start

CDSW docker daemons fail to start with the following error:

```
Error starting daemon: error initializing graphdriver: devmapper: Unable to
take ownership of thin-pool (docker-thinpool) that already has used data blo
cks.
```

This issue occurs when the block devices you specified for the Docker Block Device field already have data on them. This is a safeguard to prevent block devices from being wiped inadvertently. Note that resolving this resolving this issue involves deleting data from the block devices.

To resolve this issue, perform the following steps:

1. Verify that it is okay to delete the data on the block device.
2. SSH to the Cloudera Data Science Workbench master host.
3. Run the following script:

```
/opt/cloudera/parcels/CDSW/scripts/teardown-docker.sh
```

4. In the Cloudera Manager Admin Console, select the Cloudera Data Science Workbench service.
5. On the Instances tab, select the Docker Daemons.
6. Click Actions for Selected (n) Prepare Node .
7. Start the Cloudera Data Science Workbench service by clicking Actions Start .

User Process Limit

During host validation, you may encounter the following warning message:

```
{WARN} Cloudera Data Science Workbench recommends that all users have a max-
user-processes limit of at least 65536.
```

This message appears if the user process limit is under 65536. You can increase the user process limit by adding the following line to the /etc/security/limits.conf file:

```
ulimit -u 65536
```

Set this configuration on every Cloudera Data Science Workbench host. You can also edit /etc/security/limits.conf to configure the user process limit.

Open Files Limit

During host validation, you may encounter the following warning message:

```
{WARN} Cloudera Data Science Workbench recommends that all users have a max-open-files limit set to 1048576.
```

This message appears if the open files limit is under 1048576. Note that on HDP clusters, the open file limit recommendation is 10000 at a minimum. Cloudera recommends a higher limit for clusters with Cloudera Data Science Workbench.

You can configure the file limit with the following command:

```
ulimit -n 1048576
```

Set this configuration on every Cloudera Data Science Workbench host. You can also edit `/etc/security/limits.conf` to configure the open files limit.

Disable SE Linux

During installation, you may encounter the following message:

```
Please disable SELinux by setting SELINUX=disabled|permissive in /etc/selinux/config, then reboot or using setenforce 0 command"
```

SELinux enforces additional control policies for what a user, process, or daemon can do. If SELinux is enabled or not in permissive mode, Cloudera Data Science Workbench may not have the proper permissions to run.

To resolve this issue, you must change the SELinux mode on every host by doing one of the following:

- Edit the configuration file for SELinux and set it to disabled or permissive. Note that if you set SELinux to permissive mode, events such as access denials will be logged, but the denial will not be enforced. You can find the SELinux configuration file in the following location: `/etc/selinux/config`.
- Run the following command: `setenforce 0`. This command disables SELinux completely.

DNS is not configured properly

During installation, you might encounter the messages such as:

```
DNS doesn't resolve <CDSW_domain> to <CDSW_Master_IP_address>; DNS is not configured properly
```

or

```
DNS doesn't resolve <CDSW_Master_IP_address> to <CDSW_domain>; DNS is not configured properly"
```

This indicates that the CDSW domain name configured does not resolve to the IP address of the Master host. You must enable DNS forward and reverse lookup for the CDSW domain and IP address to proceed.

General Troubleshooting Solutions

This section describes general troubleshooting solutions to some issues you might encounter.

Restarting Processes

Restarting processes is a frequent solution to issues especially on older clusters.

1. Check running processes.
2. Kill all processes.
3. Start roles one by one in order.
4. Look at kubectl between each role start to ensure pods are starting.
5. Check Role logs for errors.

GPU Issues

This section describes GPU issues and solutions you might encounter during GPU set up.

Known Issues with Tensorflow 2.4 and CUDA 11.2

During GPU set up, the dynamic library libcusolver.so.10 is not read. For more information, see <https://github.com/tensorflow/tensorflow/issues/44777>.

Workaround: Enter the following commands when starting a session:

```
!ln -s /usr/local/cuda-11.1/targets/x86_64-linux/lib/libcusolver.so.11.0.1.105 /usr/local/cuda-11.1/targets/x86_64-linux/lib/libcusolver.so.10
!ln -s /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libcuda.so.460.73.01 /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libcuda.so.1
```

Error Encountered Trying to Load Images when Initializing Cloudera Data Science Workbench

Here are some sample error messages you might see when initializing Cloudera Data Science Workbench or adding a Worker node.

```
Error encountered while trying to load images.: 1
```

```
Unable to load images from [/etc/cdsd/images/cdsd_<version>.tar.gz].: 1
```

```
Error processing tar file(exit status 1): write ../../tar: no space left on device
```

These errors are an indication that the root volume hosting the docker-tmp is running out of space when trying to initialize Cloudera Data Science Workbench or start a Worker role. During the initialization process, the Cloudera Data Science Workbench installer temporarily decompresses the Legacy Engine and ML Runtime image files located in the CDSW parcel to the `/var/lib/cdsd/docker-tmp/` directory.

Workarounds:

- If you have previously partitioned the root volume (which should be at least 200 GB), make sure you allocate at least 200 GB to `/var/lib/cdsd/docker-tmp/` so that the installer can proceed without running out of space.
- For every host running out of space, update the environment variable `$DOCKER_TMP` inside the file:

```
/opt/cloudera/parcels/CDSW/config/internal/cdsd-defaults.conf
```

to point to any location on the host that has 200 GB or more, then rerun whichever steps caused this issue in the first place.

Troubleshooting Engine Issues

This section describes solutions to some warnings you might encounter with engines.

AMPs using Tensorflow 2.4.0 might fail on certain hardware

Engine exit status code 132 might be present due to incorrect hardware, fewer CPU instructions available. Such instructions might be limited due to a missconfiguration of the Virtual Machine host or due to an issue with the third-party software used. For example, Tensorflow 2.4.0 is known to have such issues and it is recommended to upgrade to 2.4.1 or later.

404 Not Found Error

The 404 Not Found error might appear in the browser when you try to reach the Cloudera Data Science Workbench web application.

This error is an indication that your installation of Cloudera Data Science Workbench was successful, but there was a mismatch in the domain configured in `cdsw.conf` and the domain referenced in the browser. To fix the error, go to `/etc/cdsw/config/cdsw.conf` and check that the URL you supplied for the `DOMAIN` property matches the one you are trying to use to reach the web application. This is the wildcard domain dedicated to Cloudera Data Science Workbench, not the hostname of the master host.

If this requires a change to `cdsw.conf`, after saving the changes run `cdsw stop` followed by `cdsw start`.

Troubleshooting Access Errors

Here are troubleshooting guidelines for Kerberos errors.

HDFS commands fail with Kerberos errors even though Kerberos authentication is successful in the web application

If Kerberos authentication is successful in the web application, and the output of `klist` in the engine reveals a valid-looking TGT, but commands such as `hdfs dfs -ls /` still fail with a Kerberos error, it is possible that your cluster is missing the [Java Cryptography Extension \(JCE\) Unlimited Strength Jurisdiction Policy File](#). The JCE policy file is required when Red Hat uses AES-256 encryption. This library should be installed on each cluster host and will live under `$JAVA_HOME`. For more information, see [Using AES-256 Encryption](#).

Cannot find renewable Kerberos TGT

Cloudera Data Science Workbench runs its own Kerberos TGT renewer which produces non-renewable TGT. However, this confuses Hadoop's renewer which looks for renewable TGTs. If the Spark 2 logging level is set to WARN or lower, you may see exceptions such as:

```
16/12/24 16:38:40 WARN security.UserGroupInformation: Exception encountered
while running the renewal command. Aborting renew thread. ExitCodeException
exitCode=1: kinit: Resource temporarily unavailable while renewing credentia
ls
```

```
16/12/24 16:41:23 WARN security.UserGroupInformation: PriviledgedActionExcep
tion as:user@CLUDERA.LOCAL (auth:KERBEROS) cause:javax.security.sasl.SaslEx
ception: GSS initiate failed [Caused by GSSException: No valid credentials p
rovided (Mechanism level: Failed to find any Kerberos tgt)]
```

This is not a bug. Spark 2 workloads will not be affected by this. Access to Kerberized resources should also work as expected.

Data fetching error

When trying to start a CDSW session, or view the projects list, you may see an error:

data fetching error

Due to an unexpected error could not load data. Please try again later.

This can happen if the `/etc/krb5.conf` file on the CDSW master host has the wrong permissions. Ensure that this file is owned by `root:root` with permissions `644`.

Troubleshooting TLS/SSL Errors

This section describes some common issues with TLS configuration on Cloudera Data Science Workbench. Common errors include.

- Cloudera Data Science Workbench initialisation fails with an error such as:

```
Error preparing server: tls: failed to parse private key
```

- Your browser reports that the Cloudera Data Science Workbench web application is not secure even though you have enabled TLS settings as per [Enabling TLS/SSL for Cloudera Data Science Workbench](#).
- You have properly installed CDSW, but when trying to start a session, see "Cannot connect to livelog" or "websocket error".

Possible Causes and Solutions

- If using a self signed certificate in CDSW, you may need to add the root certificate to your Operating System's trust store, in addition to telling your browser to trust the certificate.
- Certificate does not include the wildcard domain - Confirm that the TLS certificate issued by your CA lists both, the Cloudera Data Science Workbench domain, as well as a wildcard for all first-level subdomains. For example, if your Cloudera Data Science Workbench domain is `cdsw.company.com`, then the TLS certificate must include both `cdsw.company.com` and `*.cdsw.company.com`.
- Path to the private key and/or certificate is incorrect - Confirm that the path to the private key file is correct by comparing the path and file name to the values for `TLS_KEY` and/or `TLS_CERT` in `cdsw.conf` or Cloudera Manager. For example:

```
TLS_CERT="/path/to/cert.pem"  
TLS_KEY="/path/to/private.key"
```

- Private key file does not have the right permissions - The private key file must have read-only permissions. Set it as follows:

```
chmod 444 private.key
```

- Private key is encrypted - Cloudera Data Science Workbench does not support encrypted private keys. Check to see if your private key is encrypted:

```
cat private.key
```

```
-----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----  
Proc-Type: 4, ENCRYPTED  
DEK-Info: DES-EDE3-CBC, 11556F53E4A2824A
```

If the private key is encrypted as shown above, use the following steps to decrypt it:

1. Make a backup of the private key file.

```
mv private.key private.key.encrypted
```

2. Decrypt the backup private key and save the file to `private.key`. You will be asked to enter the private key password.

```
openssl rsa -in private.key.encrypted -out private.key
```

- Private key and certificate are not related - Check to see if the private key matches the public key in the certificate.
 1. Print a hash of the private key modulus.

```
openssl rsa -in private.key -noout -modulus | openssl md5
```

```
(stdin)= 7a8d72ed61bb4be3c1f59e4f0161c023
```

2. Print a hash of the public key modulus.

```
openssl x509 -in cert.pem -noout -modulus | openssl md5
```

```
(stdin)= 7a8d72ed61bb4be3c1f59e4f0161c023
```

If the md5 hash output of both keys is different, they are not related to each other, and will not work. You must revoke the old certificate, regenerate a new private key and Certificate Signing Request (CSR), and then apply for a new certificate.

Troubleshooting Issues with Workloads

This section describes some potential issues data scientists might encounter once the application is running workloads.

404 error in Workbench after starting an engine

This is typically caused because a wildcard DNS subdomain was not set up before installation. While the application will largely work, the engine consoles are served on subdomains and will not be routed correctly unless a wildcard DNS entry pointing to the master host is properly configured. You might need to wait 30-60 minutes until the DNS entries propagate. For instructions, see [Set Up a Wildcard DNS Subdomain](#).

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Engines cannot be scheduled due to lack of CPU or memory

A symptom of this is the following error message in the Workbench: "Unschedulable: No node in the cluster currently has enough CPU or memory to run the engine."

Either shut down some running sessions or jobs or provision more hosts for Cloudera Data Science Workbench.

Workbench prompt flashes red and does not take input

The Workbench prompt flashing red indicates that the session is not currently ready to take input.

Cloudera Data Science Workbench does not currently support non-REPL interaction. One workaround is to skip the prompt using appropriate command-line arguments. Otherwise, consider using the terminal to answer interactive prompts.

PySpark jobs fail due to HDFS permission errors

```
: org.apache.hadoop.security.AccessControlException: Permission denied: user
=alice, access=WRITE, inode="/user":hdfs:supergroup:drwxr-xr-x
```

(Required for CDH 5 and CDH 6) To be able to use Spark 2, each user must have their own /home directory in HDFS. If you sign in to Hue first, these directories will automatically be created for you. Alternatively, you can have cluster administrators create these directories.

```
hdfs dfs -mkdir /user/<username>
```

```
hdfs dfs -chown <username>:<username> /user/<username>
```

PySpark jobs fail due to Python version mismatch

Exception: Python in worker has different version 2.6 than that in driver 2.7, PySpark cannot run with different minor versions

One solution is to install the matching Python 2.7 version on all the cluster hosts. Another, more recommended solution is to install the Anaconda parcel on all CDH cluster hosts. Cloudera Data Science Workbench Python engines will use the version of Python included in the Anaconda parcel which ensures Python versions between driver and workers will always match. Any library paths in workloads sent from drivers to workers will also match because Anaconda is present in the same location across all hosts. Once the parcel has been installed, set the PYSARK_PYTHON environment variable in the Cloudera Data Science Workbench Admin dashboard. Alternatively, you can use Cloudera Manager to set the path.

Jobs fail due to incorrect JAVA_HOME on HDP

Commands, such as hdfs commands, and jobs fail with an error similar to the following message:

```
ERROR: JAVA_HOME /usr/lib/jvm/java does not exist.
```

The JAVA_HOME path you configure for Cloudera Data Science Workbench in cdsw.conf must match the JAVA_HOME configured by hadoop-env.sh for the HDP cluster. After you update JAVA_HOME in cdsw.conf, you must restart Cloudera Data Science Workbench. For more information, see [Changes to cdsw.conf](#).

The user_events table is growing in size and affecting performance

The user_events table is used to monitor and audit user events. It can grown in size in long running deployments and can decrease performance. To clean the table manually:

1. SSH to the Cloudera Data Science Workbench Master host and log in as root.

```
ssh root@<cdsw_master_host_domain_name>
```

2. Get the name of the database pod:

```
kubectl get pods -l role=db
```

The command returns information similar to the following example:

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
db-6d56584f76-phn2f	1/1	Running	0	4h46m

3. Enter the following command to log into the database as the sense user::

```
kubectl exec -it <database pod> -- psql -U sense
```

4. Run the following query to get the number of rows from the user_events table:

```
select count(id) from user_events;
```

5. Delete the records older than 30 days by running the following query:

```
delete from user_events where created_at < NOW() - INTERVAL '30 days';
```

Troubleshooting Issues with Models and Experiments

This section provides troubleshooting recommendations for models and experiments.

See the following topics:

- [Debugging Issues with Experiments](#)
- [Debugging Issues with Models](#)
- [Models Known Issues](#)