Federator.ai® for OpenShift

- Up to 60% resource savings
- Increased operational efficiency
- Reduced manual configuration time

Challenges

Container adoption is growing, and Kubernetes is becoming the de facto standard of container management platforms. Whether container adoption occurs on-premises, in public clouds, or both, the operational overhead is enormous. IT administrators cannot foresee computing resource demands of applications, so they must reserve more computing resources for a workload than needed. Managing computing resources and optimizing costs on multiple clouds are daunting tasks. Federator.ai, ProphetStor’s Artificial Intelligence for IT Operations (AIOps) platform, provides intelligence to orchestrate container resources on top of VMs (virtual machines) or bare metal, allowing users to operate applications without the need to manage the underlying computing resources.

Federator.ai Overview

Over-provisioned computing resources and the deployment of the incorrect number and/or size of VMs are two common issues in multi-cloud environments. Federator.ai addresses these problems by orchestrating resources in multi-cloud environments. As shown in Figure 1, Federator.ai optimizes costs for both Day-1 deployment and Day-2 operations. It utilizes metrics stored on Prometheus, collected by OpenShift, to predict resource consumption dynamically and recommends the right amount of resources for pods, providing a 20 - 60% reduction of wasted resources for a typical workload. Users can stack up the predicted pod resources to determine the right number and size of VMs to deploy and enable the automatic execution of these recommendations.

With Federator.ai, users no longer need to specify the CPU and memory requests and limits for each container. It recommends optimal pod configurations. The direct effect is that the configured resources will accurately and dynamically match the workload. It also effectively reduces occurrences of under-provisioned issues, such as out-of-memory (OOM).

Federator.ai orchestrates resources and optimizes costs for OpenShift environments.
Key Features
After Federator.ai is deployed in any OpenShift environment, it learns application resource usage patterns and predicts the needed resources down to the container level. Federator.ai also provides a dashboard that displays the per-container recommendations.

Multi-layer workload prediction
Federator.ai applies multiple analytics tools, such as machine learning and signal processing, to predict containerized application and node resource usage as the basis for pod resource recommendations. Federator.ai supports both physical and virtual CPUs and memories.

Application-aware autoscaling
The application resource demand determines the number and size of pods. Federator.ai utilizes resource usage prediction based on workload patterns to recommend the right pod sizes.

Policy-driven planning of CPU and memory
Federator.ai plans cluster-wide CPU and memory allocation for different types of applications according to the policy specified by users.

Enterprise ready
Federator.ai is designed to work with any OpenShift-operated environment. Federator.ai provides application lifecycle management based on the Operator Framework and works seamlessly with Red Hat OpenShift 4.

Easy installation
Installing Federator.ai is easy with one kubectl command or one click through the OpenShift web console. Users will get the first recommendation in one hour.

Continuous recommendations for optimal resource planning
Federator.ai continuously generates recommendations and learns better with more accumulated metrics data.

Benefits
Federator.ai aims to provide optimal resource planning recommendations that will help enterprises make better decisions. The benefits of Federator.ai include:

Up to 60% resource savings
Federator.ai mainly serves to reduce unnecessary spending and increase application service quality for both enterprises and cloud providers. ProphetStor data scientists and engineering teams work together to build the most advanced AIOps solution to reduce resource wastage at different infrastructure layers. With the help of patented prediction technologies Federator.ai simultaneously reduces spending and delivers necessary performance.

Increased operational efficiency
Federator.ai frees users from continuously monitoring OpenShift cluster utilization and cloud spending. Users also do not need to manually record usage data calculate optimal configurations, and change configurations based on the calculations. These tasks are routinely accomplished when using Federator.ai.

Reduced manual configuration time with digital intelligence
Federator.ai allows users to turn on the optimization engine any time. Federator.ai will re-configure pods with the right values at the right time.